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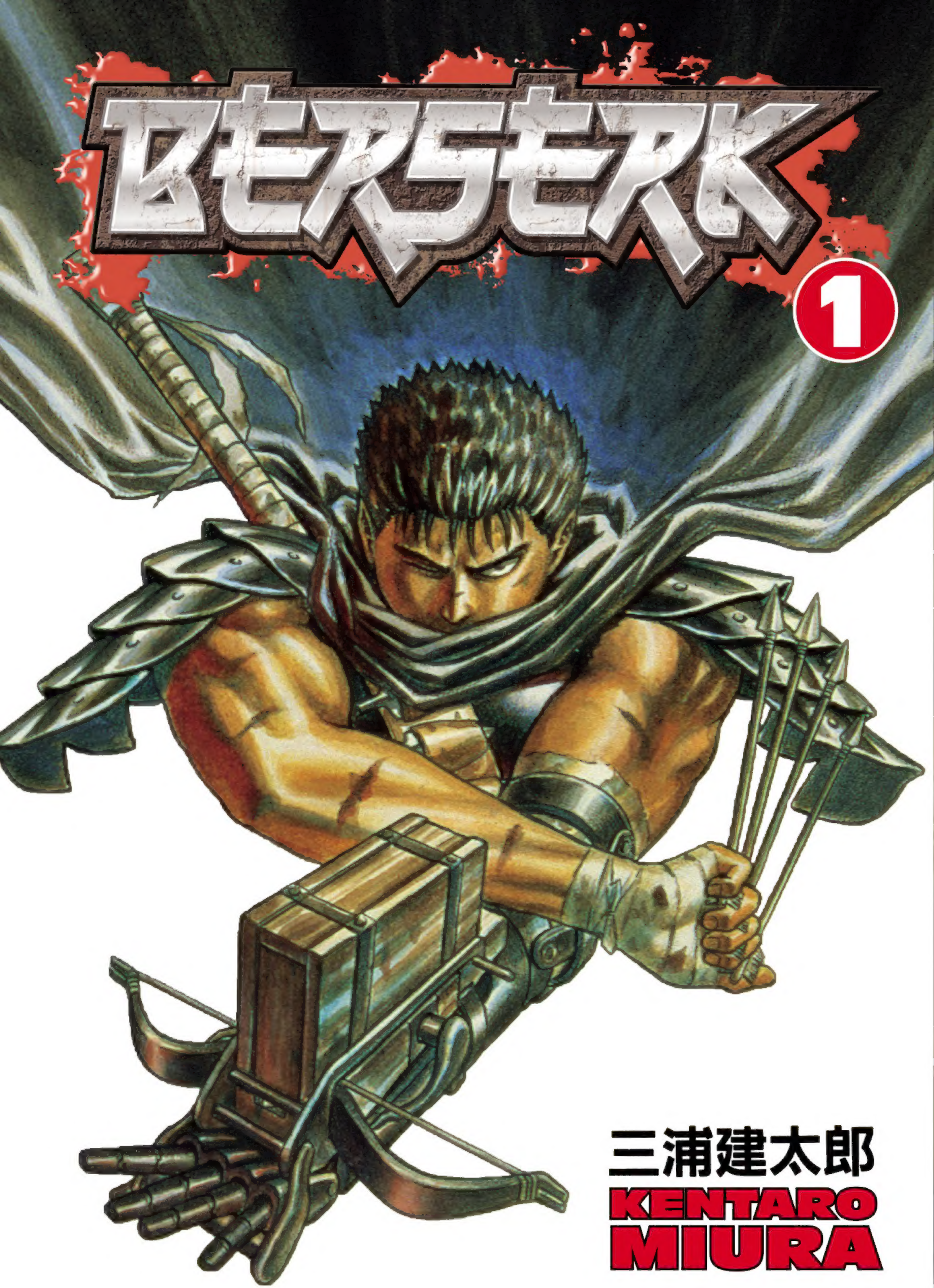

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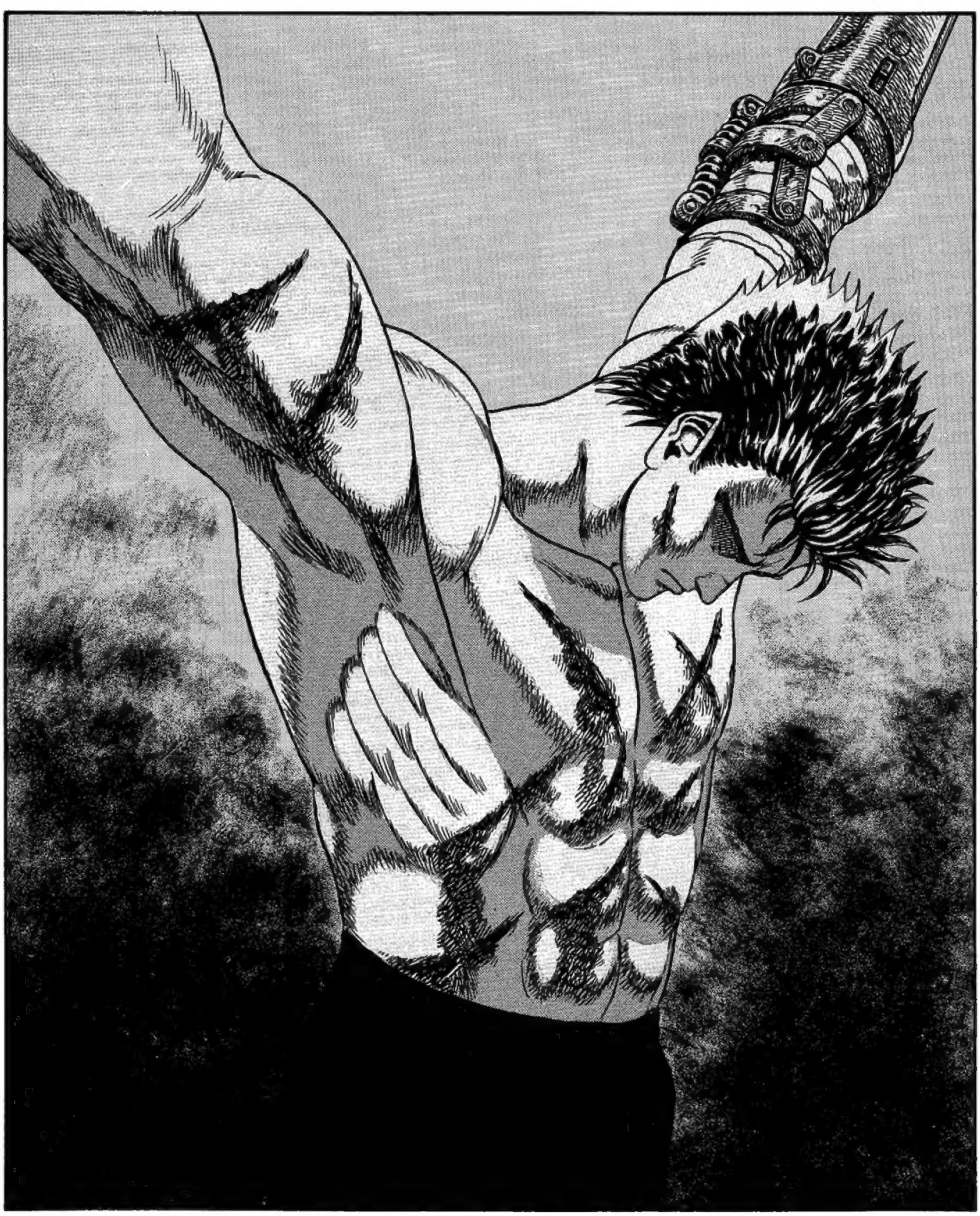

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YESSSSS!

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THE BLACK SWORDSMAN

YOU FELL INTO MY TRAP, FOOL!!

THE ONLY ONE TRAPPED IS *YOU*, BITCH!

THIS IS YOUR LAST TASTE OF HEAVEN BEFORE I SEND YOU TO HELL!

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……
AHH!
OH, YOU MISSED!
DAMN!!

STOP SQUIRMIN' AROUND! HOW'M I SUPPOSED TO HIT YOU?

I FEEL SORRY FOR THAT ELF.

THERE'S NOTHING WE CAN DO ABOUT IT.

HEY! HERE COMES THE NEXT ONE!

NOT EVEN THE LORD MAYOR CAN LAY A HAND ON THE MEN OF *KOKA CASTLE*. BEST NOT TO GET INVOLVED.

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I'M GONNA MESS UP YOUR SHOP A BIT.

HUH?

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WHY DONCHA UNTIE ME?!

BRING IT ON, FATHEAD!

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I'M GONNA STUFF THOSE WORDS RIGHT BACK DOWN YOUR THROAT! NOW STOP WIGGLIN'!

NO NO NO NO NO NO!

WAAHHH!

I'LL GNAW RIGHT THROUGH YOUR ARTERIES!

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WHA --?
BASTARD! WHO THE HELL--?!
IGOR!

AH!

AH!

AH!

AH!

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.....
UHH...
GAAAAAH!
AH...

THAT'S GOTTA HURT...

YOU'RE ONE OF THE THUGS FROM KOKA CASTLE, AREN'T YOU?

-:UUUGHH:-, -:UUUGHH:-...

ALL RIGHT, THEN I SUPPOSE YOU CAN DELIVER A MESSAGE TO YOUR BOSS FOR ME?

WHA- WHAT MESSAGE ...?

ANSWER ME.

YES... SIR...

THE BLACK SWORDS-MAN HAS COME.

THE BLACK... SWORDS-MAN...

THAT'S ALL.

BEHIND YOU!

EH?

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IT WAS MUCH TOO BIG TO BE CALLED A SWORD.

MASSIVE, THICK, HEAVY AND FAR TOO ROUGH. INDEED, IT WAS LIKE A HEAP OF RAW IRON.

I'M COUNTING ON YOU.

UM...UM, EXCUSE ME! HEY!

WAIT A SECOND! DON'T LEAVE ME HERE!

-AW-, MAN!

PU...

LISTEN, IF YOU'RE GONNA SAVE SOMEONE, YOU DON'T JUST LEAVE'EM TIED UP LIKE THAT.

YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO FOLLOW IT THROUGH TO THE END, Y'KNOW!

HEY! WAIT UP!

SAY, THAT'S QUITE A SWORD Y'GOT THERE.

OR SHOULD I CALL IT A *SLAB?*

Y'SEE I WAS IN A TROUPE OF TRAVELLING PERFORMERS BUT WE WERE ATTACKED BY THOSE BUMS.

SINCE THEN I'VE BEEN LOCKED UP IN A MYNAH BIRD'S CAGE AND SOAKED IN A WINE BOTTLE. IT'S A WONDER I'M STILL ALIVE. THAT'S FER SURE!

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I'M *PUCK.* NICE TO MEETCHA.

OH, YEAH.

Y'KNOW, IF I WERE YOU I'D GET OUTTA TOWN FAST.

I MEAN, IF THEY CATCH YOU, THEY'LL CUT YOU TO PIECES.

IN EXCHANGE FOR TRIBUTE, THEY PROMISED THAT THEY'D LEAVE THE TOWN FREE AND THERE'D BE NO MORE RAIDS.

THE TOWN WAS ALSO ATTACKED A NUMBER OF TIMES, BUT THE LORD MAYOR MADE A DEAL WITH THE THUGS.

.....

BUT AFTER THIS, I GUESS THEY'LL START ATTACKING AGAIN.

NOW THAT THE LORD MAYOR HAS A PACT WITH THEM, EVEN THE TOWN GUARDS WILL--

AND IT'S NOT JUST THE THUGS, EITHER.

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OWW!

THAT *HURT!* WHA'D YOU DO THAT FOR?!

AH!

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WHA--?!

WHAT IS IT WITH YOU?! A PERSON SHOWS YOU A LITTLE CONCERN AND YOU RESPOND WITH THAT STUCK-UP ATTITUDE OF YOURS!

DON'T TOUCH ME...

...I'LL SQUASH YOU.

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WELL... GOTTA GO.

DAMN.

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YER A STUBBORN BASTARD, Y'NOW THAT?!

-HMPH!-

...BASTARD!

YOU...

!

AIN'CHA EVEN GONNA MAKE A *LITTLE* NOISE?

HUH?

!

STOP!

M' LORD!

!

THAT'S ENOUGH FOR NOW.

YES, *LORD MAYOR.* ENOUGH WEAPONS TO START HIS OWN WAR. CRAZY BASTARD.

THAT STOCKPILE OF WEAPONS, IT BELONGS TO THIS MAN?

.....
.....

YOU! ARE YOU A MERCENARY?

BECAUSE YOU MURDERED THOSE MEN..

...THIS TOWN MAY VERY WELL BE DESTROYED!

A COMPLETE STRANGER TO THESE PARTS... YOU'VE DONE A TERRIBLE THING.

DO YOU HAVE ANY IDEA WHAT YOU'VE DONE?!

WHAT?!

ENOUGH!

ARE YOU TELLING ME THAT THOSE GUARDS STANDING THERE ARE *SCARE-CROWS?*

YOU HAVE NO IDEA HOW HORRIBLE HE IS...THE RULER OF THOSE MEN...

NO ONE CAN KILL HIM... AT LEAST, NOT ANYONE *HUMAN.*

HE...THAT THING... IS BEYOND HUMAN. IT'S SOMETHING HORRIBLE AND INCOMPREHENSIBLE. A CREATURE FROM THE VERY DEPTHS OF THE PIT...

A WANDERING *VAGRANT* LIKE YOURSELF...!

HOW COULD *YOU* UNDERSTAND?!

I UNDERSTAND.

!

I SEE. SO THAT'S WHY YOU MADE YOUR DIRTY DEAL WITH HIM.

I KNOW IT VERY WELL.

I KNOW ALL ABOUT IT.

HOW HE'S A *MONSTER* THAT *EATS HUMAN FLESH.*

I PASSED THEM AT THE GATES OF THE CITY.

!

AND I KNOW THAT YOU CONTINUE TO *PROVIDE* HIM WITH HIS *MEALS.*

.....

.....

A PRISON WAGON FULL OF *WOMEN* AND *CHILDREN.*

PROTECT THIS TOWN? DON'T YOU MEAN PROTECT *YOURSELF?*

I...I AM THE MAYOR!

IT IS MY *DUTY* TO PROTECT THIS TOWN!

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MY LORD!

YOU ...

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-UUGHH!-

DO IT!

TORTURE HIM AS MUCH AS YOU LIKE, I DON'T CARE.

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BUT DON'T KILL HIM!

WE STILL HAVE TO HAND HIM OVER TO KOKA CASTLE... ALIVE.

PR-
PREPARE
MY
CARRIAGE
IMMEDIATELY.

I'D BEST GO TO
KOKA CASTLE
MYSELF AND
BEG FOR
FORGIVENESS.

THE
BLACK
SWORDS-
MAN,
YOU
SAY?

YES,
BARON.

.....
.....

HE DRESSED ALL IN BLACK AND HAD A FALSE ARM MADE OF IRON...A REAL SHADY-LOOKING GUY.

HIS SWORD WAS SO BIG IT TOWERED OVER HIM, AND HE SPLIT DEAN IN HALF WITH ONE STROKE.

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...HIM?

COULD IT BE...

I SEE.

THAT WRETCH, THE MAYOR, IS WAITING AT THE CASTLE GATE. HE REQUESTS AN AUDIENCE WITH YOU ABOUT THE RECENT INCIDENT.

WHAT IS IT?

MY LORD.

-:GULP:-...

IT'S BEEN AWHILE, MAYOR. HOW GOOD OF YOU TO COME.

Y-YOUR LORDSHIP. I HAVE COME TO ASK FOR YOUR FORGIVENESS FOR THIS RECENT TRANSGRESSION.

THIS WAS THE ACT OF A VAGRANT WHO IS UNFAMILIAR WITH OUR WAYS.

THERE IS NO CONNECTION TO ANY OF THE TOWNS-FOLK.

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AREN'T YOU, MAYOR?

UNLIKE BEFORE, YOU'RE NOW WORRIED ABOUT LOSING YOUR *OWN* LIFE, AREN'T YOU?

SO, PLEASE!

I-I'LL GIVE YOU *DOUBLE* THE AMOUNT OF PRISONERS AND GOLD FROM NOW ON!

EH?

YOU LOOK TROU-BLED.

AH...

!!!!!!

!

ALL I WISH TO SEE ARE HUMANS WITHIN A FIERY APOCALYPSE. TRYING TO ESCAPE.

GOLD... PRISONERS... I DON'T CARE ABOUT SUCH THINGS.

ALL I WISH TO HEAR IS THE SOUND OF SNAPPING BONES CRUSHED UNDER THE HOOVES OF HORSES.

.....
.....

I DON'T EVEN NEED AN EXCUSE.

NONE AT ALL...

MY LORD...

LET ME GO!

MY... MY LORD!

LET GO OF ME!

WHA- WHAT ARE YOU DOING?!

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THE BLACK SWORDSMAN...?

DAMN! I CAN'T MOVE...

...WHERE AM I?

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-UUUGHH!-

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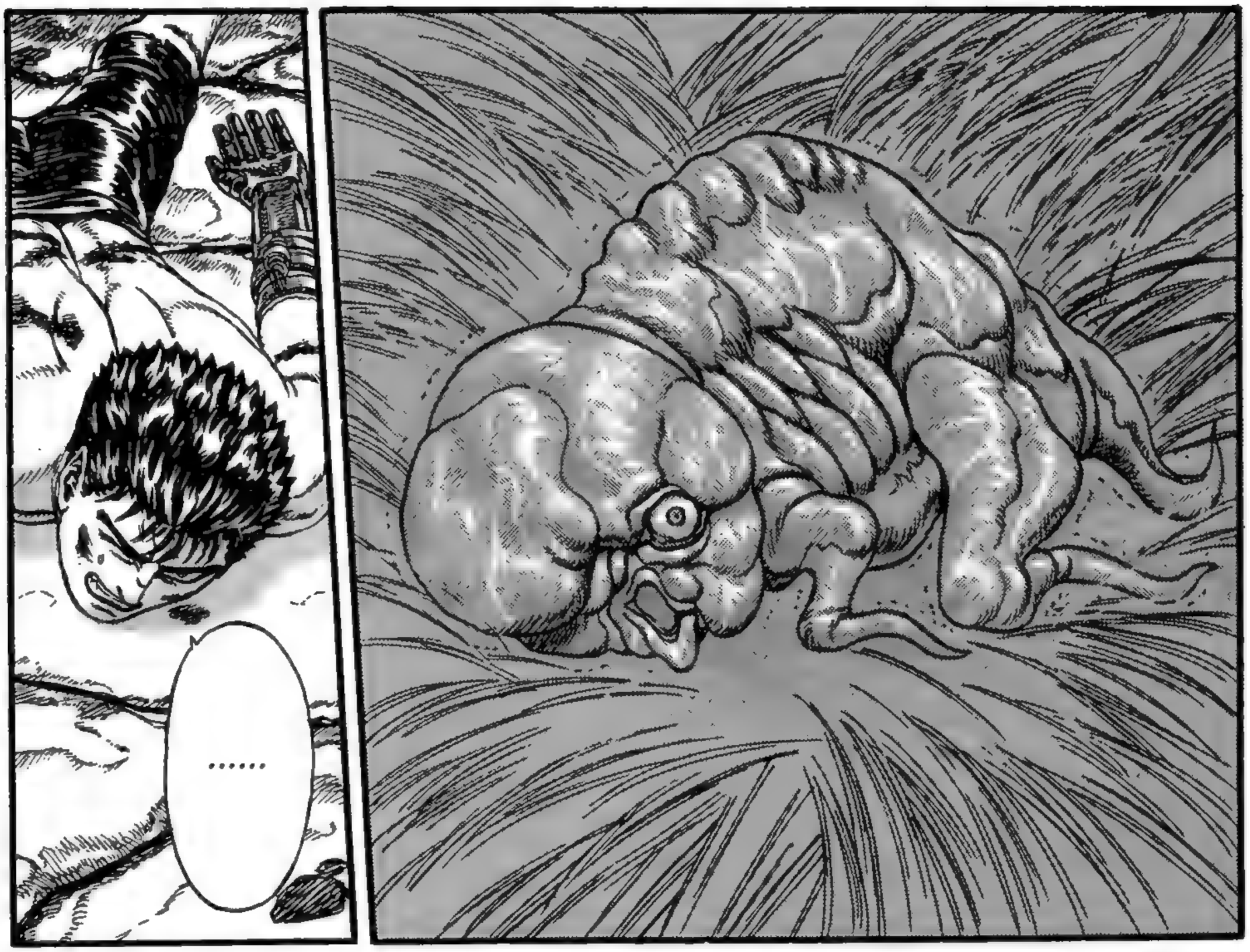
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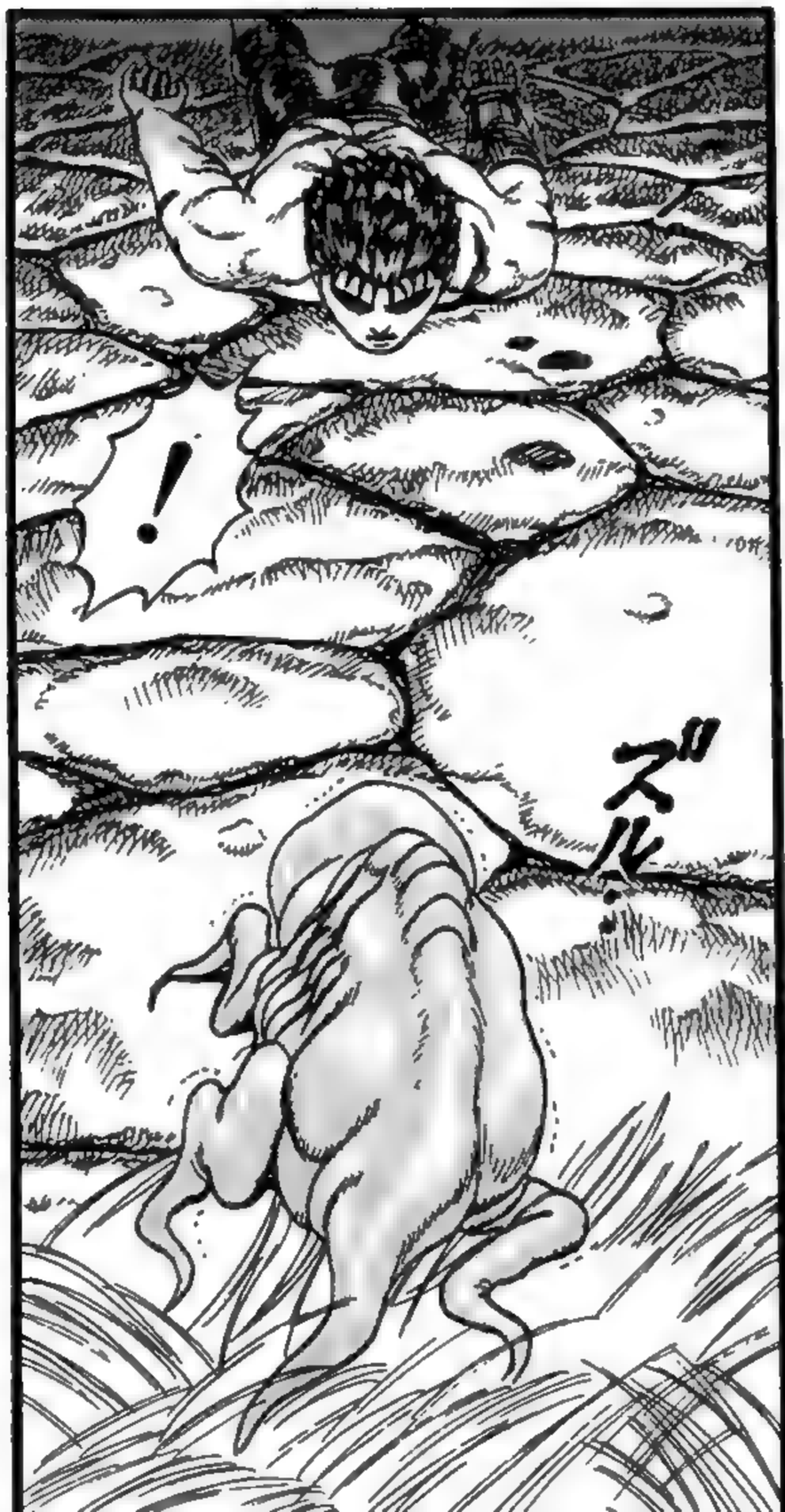
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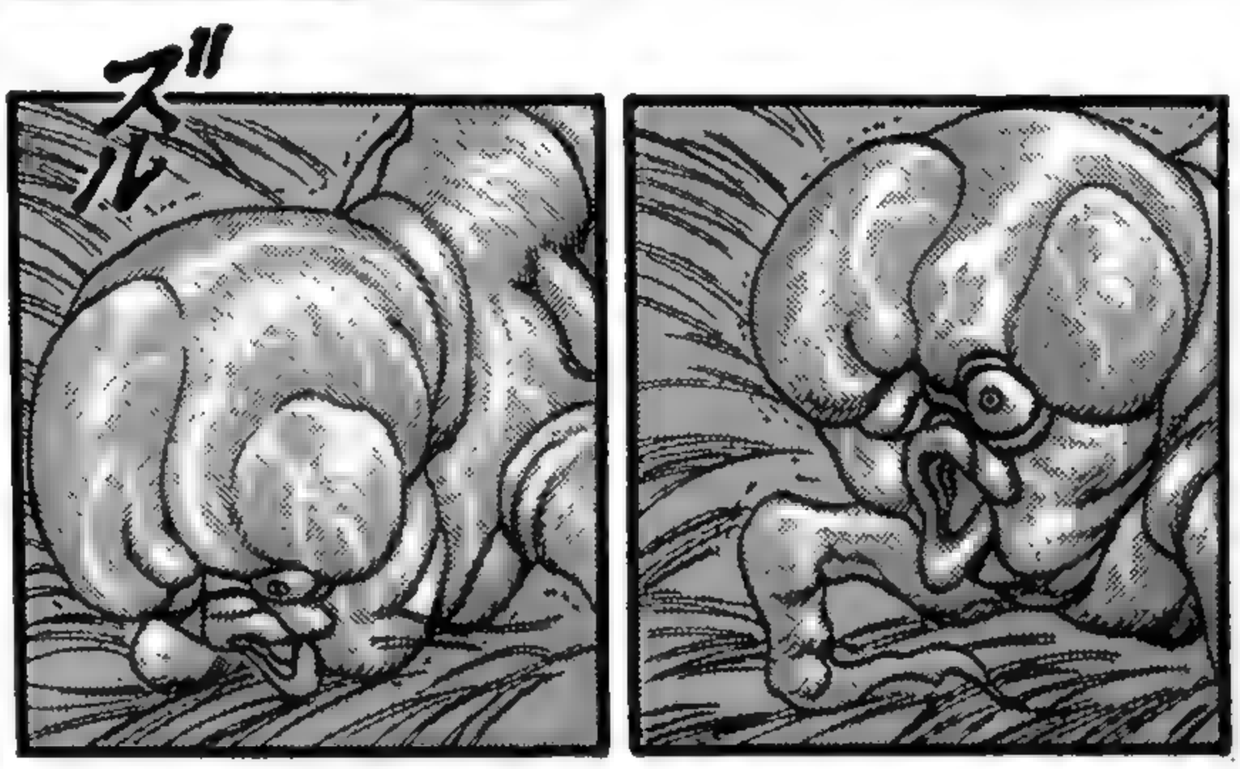
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GET AWAY FROM ME...
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GET AWAY FROM ME!
-=GLUG-GLUG=-...
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YOU...
FROM THE
TAVERN...

HEY! THIS
WATER'S
KINDA
YELLOW...
DON'T
TELL ME
IT'S...

WHAT'S
WITH THAT
ALL OF A
SUDDEN?

YOU
SCARED
THE HELL
OUTTA
ME!

-!KAFF!-

-!KAFF!-

HAVE A
NIGHTMARE?
WOW. THEY
REALLY WORKED
YOU OVER,
DIDN'T THEY?

.....

WELL, REST
ASSURED. I
GAVE THAT
EGGHEAD
GUARD A
LITTLE SOME-
THING TO
SLEEP ON.

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!

WHAT'D YOU COME HERE FOR?

I TOLD YOU. YOU SHOULD'A LISTENED TO MY ADVICE...

WOW! EVERY-WHERE I LOOK YOU'RE COVERED IN WOUNDS!

TO REPAY A DEBT.

WE ELVES HAVE A STRONG SENSE OF DUTY.

DON'T YOU *EVER* TOUCH ME...

HMMM ...

NOW, LET'S SEE...

DON'T TOUCH ME!

ピカッ!

LOOK AT YOURSELF! YOU'RE IN NO POSITION TO GIVE ME THAT KINDA ATTITUDE! NOW BE QUIET AND LET ME HANDLE IT!

STOP ...

...!

-GUH!-

THE HELL?!

I AIN'T GONNA DO ANY-THING BAD TO YOU!

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WE ELVES GOT ALL SORTS OF POWERS.

THE PAIN... IT'S DISAPPEAR-ING...

OR AT LEAST THAT'S WHAT OUR TROUPE LEADER SAID BEFORE HE GOT HIS *HEAD CUT OFF* BY BANDITS.

.....

WE CAN HEAL WOUNDS, WE CAN SENSE PEOPLE'S EMOTIONS, WE CAN EVEN MAKE PEOPLE *HAPPY.*

WHY'D YOU COME TO THIS TOWN, ANYHOW?

.....

YOU DON'T HAVE TO ANSWER ...

...IF YOU DON'T WANT TO.

SAY, WHAT'S YOUR NAME?

GUTS ...

THIS THING ON YOUR NECK THAT LOOKS LIKE A CREST OR SOMETHIN'?

HEY!

WHAT'S *THAT?*

.....

WHAT'D I DO *THIS* TIME?!

WAAA

PRETTY SOON, HE'LL COME HERE TO KILL ME.

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YOU TALK TOO MUCH, YOU KNOW THAT?

UH...

YOU'LL FIND OUT SOON ENOUGH!

OH ...

...THOSE GUYS FROM *KOKA CASTLE?*

DOES THAT MEAN IT'S...

...AS WELL AS BURN THIS WHOLE TOWN TO THE GROUND.

.....

...YOU'RE PLANNING TO DRAG THE TOWNSPEOPLE INTO ALL THIS?!

YOU.. YOU MEAN...

I DON'T *CARE.*

!

.....

I DON'T CARE ABOUT *ANYTHING* ELSE.

ALL I WANNA DO IS FIND THAT BASTARD AND *KILL HIM.*

-AHHH-
...

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ANYONE WHO DIES BECAUSE THEY GET CAUGHT UP IN SOMEONE ELSE'S FIGHT IS A SMALL FRY WHO DOESN'T HAVE THE STRENGTH TO SURVIVE IN THE FIRST PLACE.

IF SOMEONE CAN'T LIVE THEIR LIFE THE WAY THEY PLEASE, THEY MIGHT AS WELL DIE.

HIS... HIS *EMOTIONS* ARE POURING INTO ME!

MY CHEST IS BURNING ...!!

.....

IT'S RAGE, SADNESS, AND FEAR..

...IT'S ALL MIXED TOGETHER SO DARK! AND THERE'S SOMETHING EVEN *DEEPER* THAN THAT...

IS IT RAGE?

NO, IT'S NOT JUST THAT.

HA HA HA HA HA!

!

...WHAT ABOUT WHEN YOU SAVED *ME*?

IN THAT CASE ...

YEOW!

WHAT ARE YOU DOING, YOU LITTLE...?!

IDIOT! WHO DO YOU THINK YOU ARE?!

WHY WOULD ANYONE SAVE *YOU*?!

TO THINK I'D RISK MY LIFE FOR A LITTLE *BUG!*

BU--!

!

WHAT WAS *THAT* ALL ABOUT?!

DAMN!

HEY!

WAIT!

WHERE DO YOU THINK YOU'RE GOING?!

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I'VE BEEN *WAITING* FOR YOU...

...HA HA!

...HA ...

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HORRIBLE...

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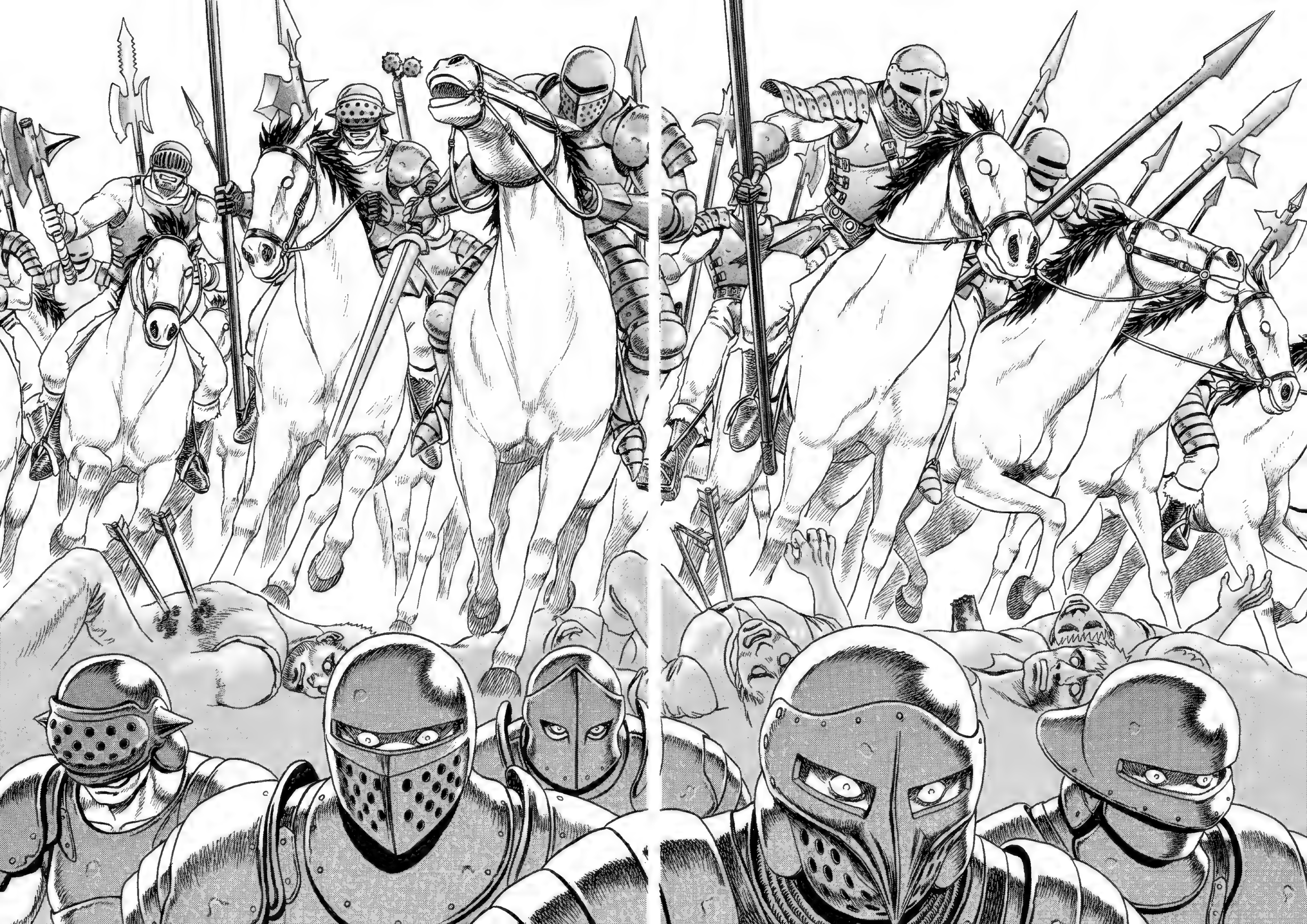

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WA HA HA HA HA HA HA HA!!

BURN EVERY-THING TO THE GROUND!

CHARGE!

TH-- THAT'S NOT *HUMAN!*

...!

HUH HUH HUH

WHA --?!

UNDER THE CORPSES!

GUTS!

-:GAAGGH!:-

-:GAAGGH!:-...

-GAAAHH!-

-UGH-...

-KRAK-

-KRAK-

-KRAK-

UWAAAHHHH!

WH-WHAT THE HELL KIND OF *CROSSBOW* IS THAT?!

YAAAHH!

WHOAHHH!

-EEYAGH!-

HE...

...HE'S SO STROONG!

AAAAH!

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AHH!

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I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU HOPE TO ACCOM-PLISH...

...BUT TO THINK THAT A *MERE MORTAL* CAN OPPOSE US...

...IS PURE FOLLY!

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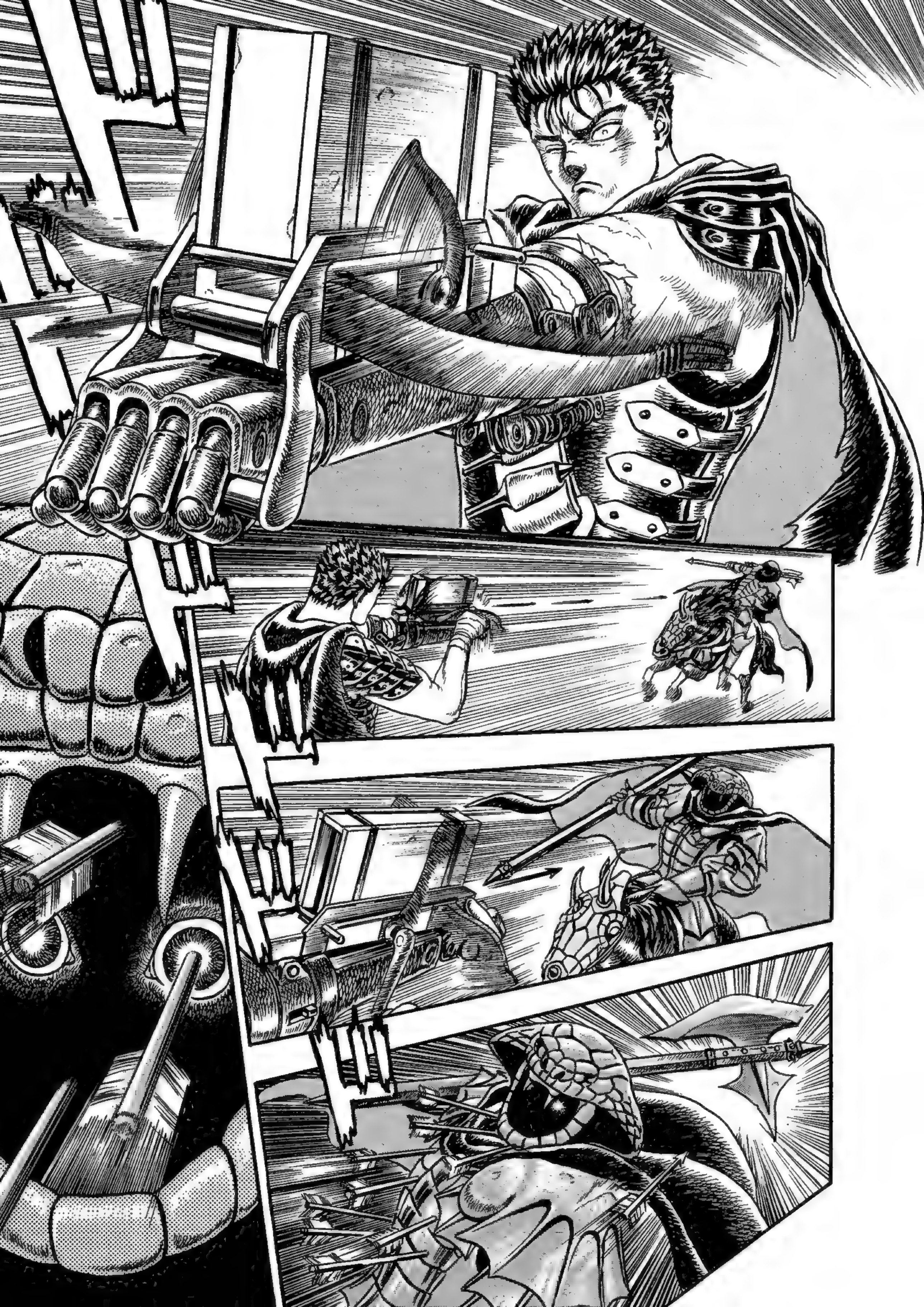

HE DID IT!

M' LORD!

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GUTS!

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GUTS!

-:GULUGH:-...

...NO MATTER HOW MANY BOLTS YOU SHOOT AT ME...

IT'S FUTILE...

A MERE HUMAN LIKE YOU CAN'T POSSIBLY KILL ME!!

...!

UWAAAHHHH!

I AM GOING TO EAT YOU ALIVE, BOOOY!!

I AM GOING TO EAT YOU!!

WAAAAAH!

IT... IT'S A *MONSTER!*

EEEK!!

GUSH!!

HE'S COMING--
HE'S COMING--
HE'S COMING--
HE'S COMING--
HE'S COMING!!

-:AAAGG!:-

C'MON GUTS! LOOK UP... UP!!

WHAT THE HELL'RE YOU DOING?!

-:WAAAUGHH!:-

...!

-:GUUGHH-...

GUTS!

WHOOSH

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OH... STILL BREATHING, ARE WE?

...!

BUT IT ALL ENDS HERE!

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MOST HUMANS WOULD'VE HAD THEIR ORGANS CRUSHED BY THE FIRST BLOW AND BE QUITE DEAD BY NOW.

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WEAK...

HOW PATHETIC HUMANS ARE!

OOHHH...

GUTS...!

FOOD SHOULD LEARN TO ACT LIKE FOOD AND--

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YOU HUMANS ARE NOTHING MORE THAN **FOOD.**

NOTHING BUT MORSELS TO FILL OUR STOMACHS.

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AAHHH!

YAAA--

GU...
...GUTS!
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!

DON'T DIE ON ME YET.

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YECCCH!

EW! IT'S STILL ALIVE...

I FEEL SICK!

HEY!

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DIDN'T YOU SAY IT DOESN'T MATTER HOW MANY BOLTS I SHOOT AT YOU?

IGH! STOP! STOP, PLEASE!!

MUST BE ROUGH, BEING *UNKILLABLE* AND ALL...

I'M GONNA GIVE YOU A LITTLE TASTE OF WHAT IT'S LIKE.

ﾌUGH!ﾌ

STO--!!

BUT NO MATTER HOW WEAK WE ARE, EVEN IF WE'RE BEING CHOPPED TO BITS OR STABBED TO DEATH, WE STILL WANT TO *LIVE.*

LIKE YOU SAID, HUMANS ARE WEAK.

WE DIE EASILY.

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...!

GYAAA

TH-THAT *MARK!* IT'S THE *BRAND OF SACRIFICE!*

WHO... WHO ARE YOU?

YOU ARE--

!

WHERE ARE THE FIVE MEMBERS OF *THE GODHAND?*

--THE GODHAND.

IT'S NOT FOR APOSTLES SUCH AS I TO KNOW

I DON'T KNOW! I DON'T KNOW! WHERE THEY ARE!

UGH!

TH--

THAT IS--

TAKE YOUR TIME AND SAVOR IT...

...AS YOUR BODY IS SLOWLY *BURNED TO ASHES.*

I...I'M TELLING YOU THE TRUTH...

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HELP ME!

I DON'T WANT TO DIE!

W-WAIT... PLEASE!

EEEEEE...

WAIT...!

...!

-UNNHH!-

BERSERK...

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THE BLACK SWORDSMAN: END

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YOU CANNOT ESCAPE US!

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YOU CANNOT ESCAPE!

ベルセルク

烙印
THE BRAND

FLAP FLAP FLAP

THANKS, MISTER!
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WAAHHH!

MAYBE WOLVES ATE HIM OR SOME-THING.

OH, WELL.

.....

THAT'S FUNNY. I WAS SURE HE WAS GOING IN THIS DIRECTION.

HOW COULD I LOSE HIM IF THIS IS THE ONLY PATH?

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GUTS!

!

YOU AGAIN!

HEY! HOW YA DOIN'?

パタパタ

WHAT HAPPENED TO YOU? DID WOLVES ATTACK YOU? *UH OH,* THOSE WOUNDS FROM BEFORE ARE OPENING UP AGAIN.

.....

FOR SOME REASON, EVERY TIME WE MEET, YOU'RE ALL TORN UP.

WANT ME TO HEAL YOU AGAIN?

HEY, BUG!

WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?

THE NAME'S ***PUCK.*** TRY NOT TO FORGET IT!

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.....

...IT'S INTER-ESTING! ALL THIS MONSTER STUFF.

IT'S THE KIND OF THING YOU ONLY HEAR ABOUT IN MYTHS OR EPIC POEMS BUT YOU'RE IT! THE REAL DEAL!

IS THIS MORE OF THAT ELVEN SENSE OF DUTY?

...THE THING IS...

WELL ...

WHA- WHATCHA DO THAT FOR?!

BLAH!

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GLUG GLUG

NAH, I FIGURED IF I HUNG AROUND YOU, I'D GET TO SEE ALL SORTS OF NEAT THINGS...

SORRY, BUT I'M IN NO MOOD TO KEEP ANY PETS.

...I DON'T LIKE *ELVES*, AND I DON'T LIKE *YOU*.

WHO SAID I WANTED TO BE YOUR PET?!

AND ONE MORE THING...

.....

IT PISSES ME OFF. WHEN I SEE *WEAKLINGS.*

I FEEL LIKE I WANNA *CRUSH* THEM.

BU...

...BUT WHY?

.....

BECAUSE YOU'RE *WEAK.*

MAKES ME WANNA *SQUASH 'EM.*

THEY CAN'T DO A THING ON THEIR OWN. ALL THEY EVER DO IS TALK AND BUZZ AROUND PEOPLE LIKE FLIES.

.....

.....

YOU...

YOU BASTARD!

HH!!

HUU?..

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ガラガラガラ…

THE RAIN'S PRETTY HEAVY.

NEED A RIDE?

SORRY, I'M NO GOOD WITH PRIESTS.

IT'S NO TROUBLE. THERE'S MORE THAN ENOUGH ROOM FOR ANOTHER PERSON IN HERE.

NOPE. LEAVE ME BE.

HA HA! IT'S BETTER THAN CATCHING A COLD THOUGH, YES?

.....

I'M TELLING YOU THIS FOR YOUR OWN GOOD.

A LEGION OF THEM.

I'M BEING PURSUED BY EVIL SPIRITS.

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BUT DON'T WORRY, MY FRIEND. I HAVE *GOD* ON MY SIDE.

NOT TO MENTION A *LUCKY SPIRIT.*

WAHAHA! THAT'S QUITE AN AFFLICTION!

SPIRIT?

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C'MON, GET ON, GET ON.

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WHAT DO I CARE IF SOMETHING HAPPENS TO THEM?

WELL, WHY NOT?

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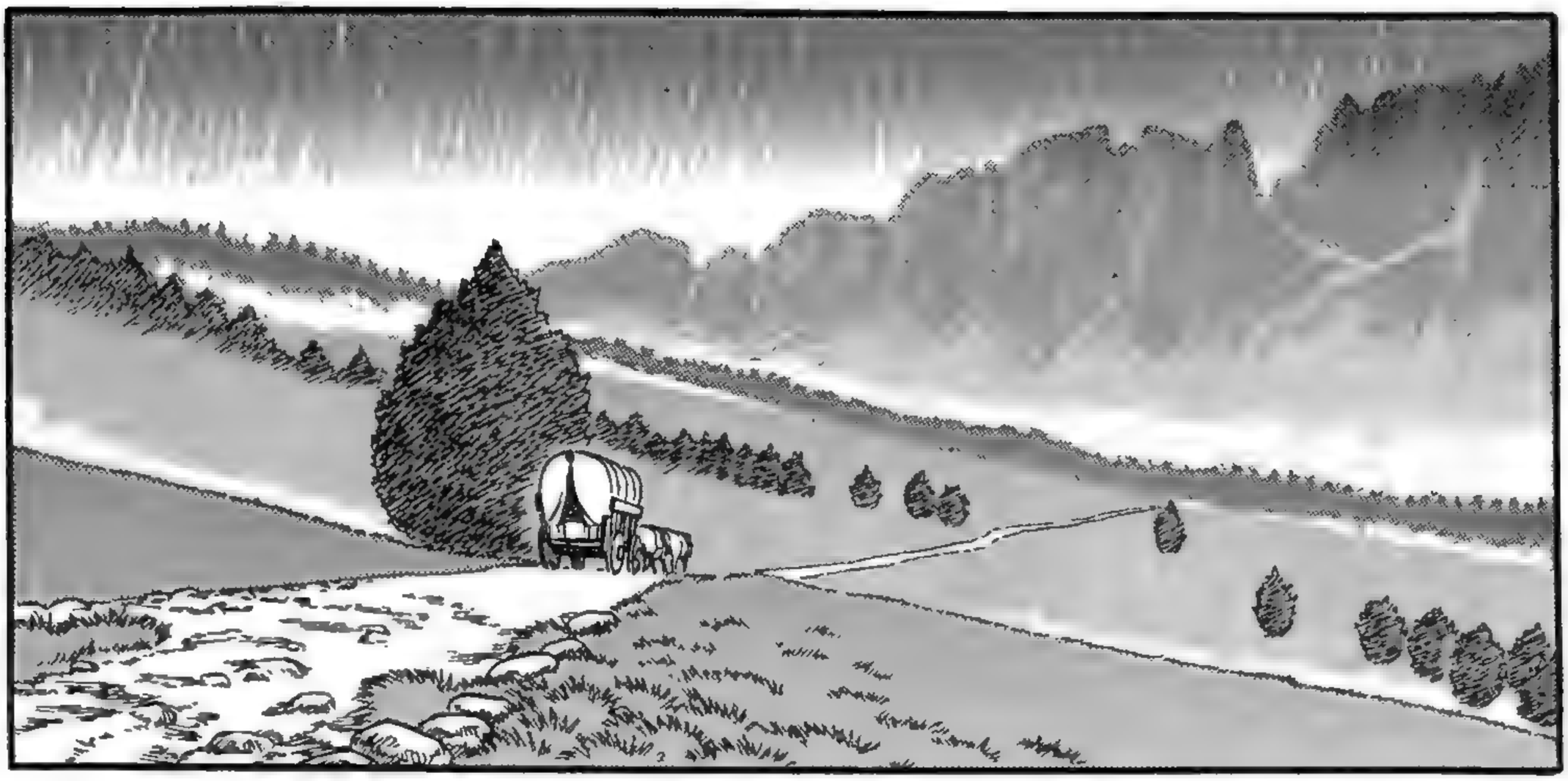
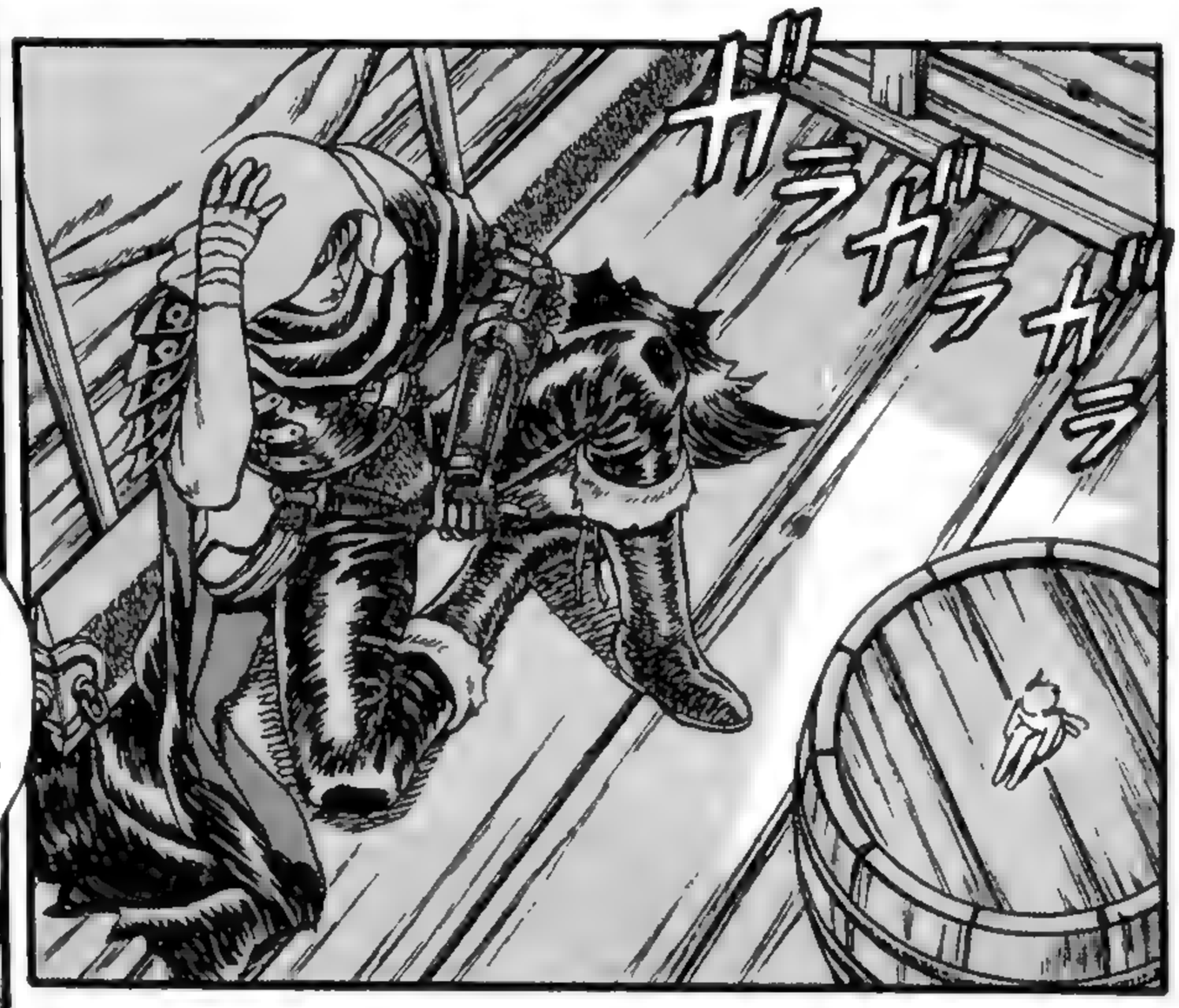


I WAS HERE FIRST.
SO YOU GOT NO RIGHT TO COMPLAIN THIS TIME!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OH! ME TOO! ME TOO!
HEY! HEY!
IT'S HOME-MADE WINE.
IT'LL WARM YOU UP.
...HAVE SOME, IF YOU'D LIKE.

THOSE AWFUL WOUNDS...WHAT HAPPENED?

THAT CAN'T BE TRUE, CAN IT?

LIKE I SAID, EVIL SPIRITS ARE AFTER ME.

HEY, HEY! DON'T FRIGHTEN MY DAUGHTER TOO MUCH.

BY THE WAY...

...IS THAT SOME SORT OF *SWORD*?

BY THE LOOKS OF IT, YOU APPEAR TO BE A *MERCENARY.*

IS THAT WHAT YOU ARE?

NAH, I USE IT FOR MY COOKING.

IT LOOKS LIKE YOU COULD CUT A HORSE IN HALF WITH THAT THING.

WHY NOT JUST OPEN UP A ROADSIDE GRILL. YOU CAN EARN A BETTER LIVING THAT WAY, YOU BUM.

LIVE BY THE SWORD, DIE BY THE SWORD.

I DON'T HAVE MUCH RESPECT FOR THAT PROFESSION-- KILLING OTHER PEOPLE FOR A LIVING.

WELL, SOMETHING LIKE THAT.

-:HMPH!:- THAT'S WHY I DON'T LIKE *PRIESTS.*

PLEASE, DON'T SAY THAT.

IF HE WERE ALIVE TODAY, HE'D PROBABLY HAVE HIS OWN FAMILY BY NOW.

MY NEPHEW ALSO CHOSE TO LIVE BY THE SWORD AND LEFT HOME AS SOON AS HE COULD.

FIVE YEARS AGO, HE LOST HIS LIFE ON A BATTLEFIELD, JUST SOME LOWLY SOLDIER WITH NO NAME.

HE COULD HAVE ENJOYED THE SIMPLE PLEASURES OF LIFE. HOW FOOLISH OF HIM!

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WHAT'S WRONG WITH THAT?

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I BET HE WAS *HAPPY.*

HE DIED DOING WHAT HE WANTED, NO MATTER WHAT, RIGHT?

NOTHING COMES AFTER *THAT,* NOTHING AT ALL.

OF COURSE, ONCE YOU DIE, THAT'S IT.

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WELL, I'M GONNA TRY TO GET A LITTLE SLEEP NOW.

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YOU COULD...

...CATCH A COLD!

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CAN'T HELP BUT SMILE...

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HEE...

WH-WHAT? WHY ARE YOU LOOKIN' AT ME?

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-AHHHGHH!!-

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YOU CANNOT RUN FROM US!

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YOU CANNOT RUN!

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HEY!

HEY! WHAT HAP-PENNED?!

WHAT... WHAT IS THAT THING?!

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THEY'RE EVIL SPIRITS THAT GIVE PEOPLE NIGHTMARES AND FEED OFF THEIR FEAR.

IT'S AN *INCUBUS!*

EVIL SPIRITS? YOU MEAN, WHAT YOU SAID BEFORE WAS TRUE?

WHY DID IT COME AFTER YOU?

WH--

YOU'RE SAYIN' YOU BELIEVE IN GOD BUT NOT IN EVIL SPIRITS?

THEY WON'T EVEN GIVE ME TIME TO SLEEP.

DAMN!

THIS THING *SUMMONS* THEM.

BECAUSE OF *THIS*...

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THE *BRAND* DOES?

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WHAT THE--?

STAY INSIDE!

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INCUBI ARE BORN OF THE MIXED BLOOD AND SEXUAL FLUIDS OF THOSE WHO DIED FILLED WITH *HATRED* AND *MALICE*...

...WHICH MEANS THAT SOMEWHERE AROUND HERE, THERE MUST BE SOME CORPSES OF BANDITS OR THE LIKE WHO DIED VIOLENTLY.

CORPSES THAT THE *DEMONS* WILL POSSESS AND USE TO *ATTACK.*

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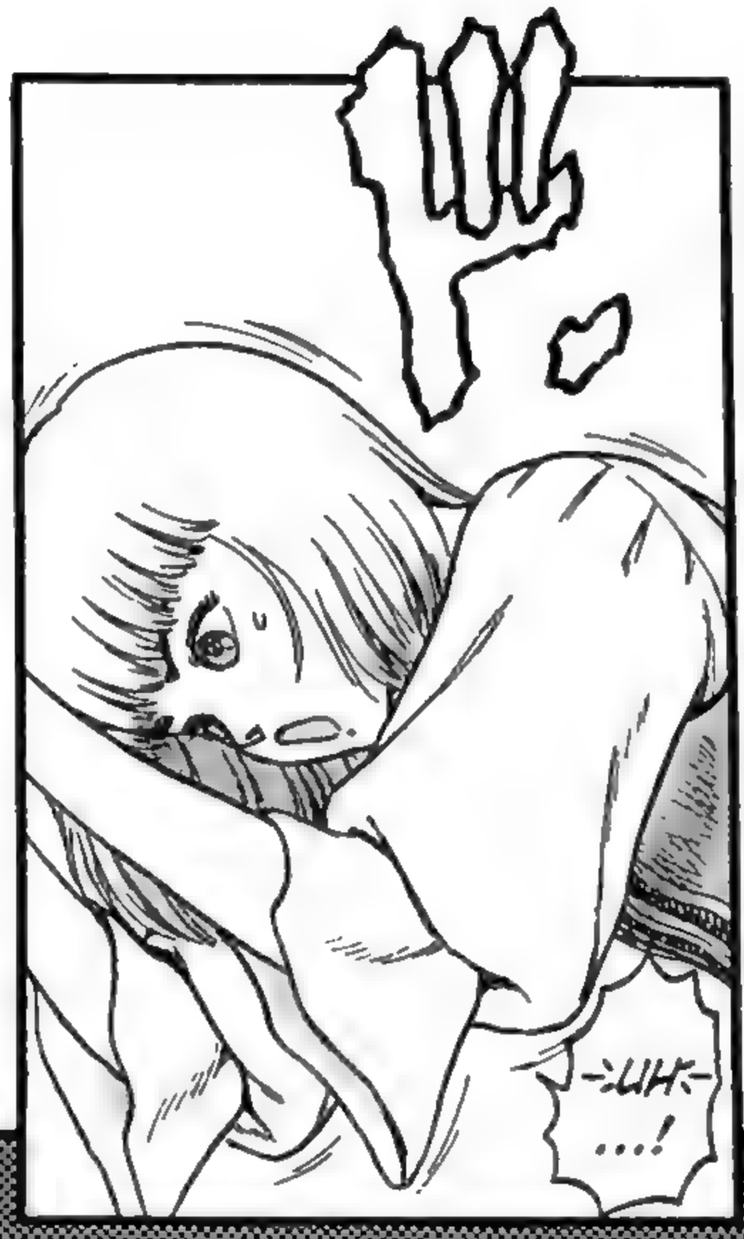

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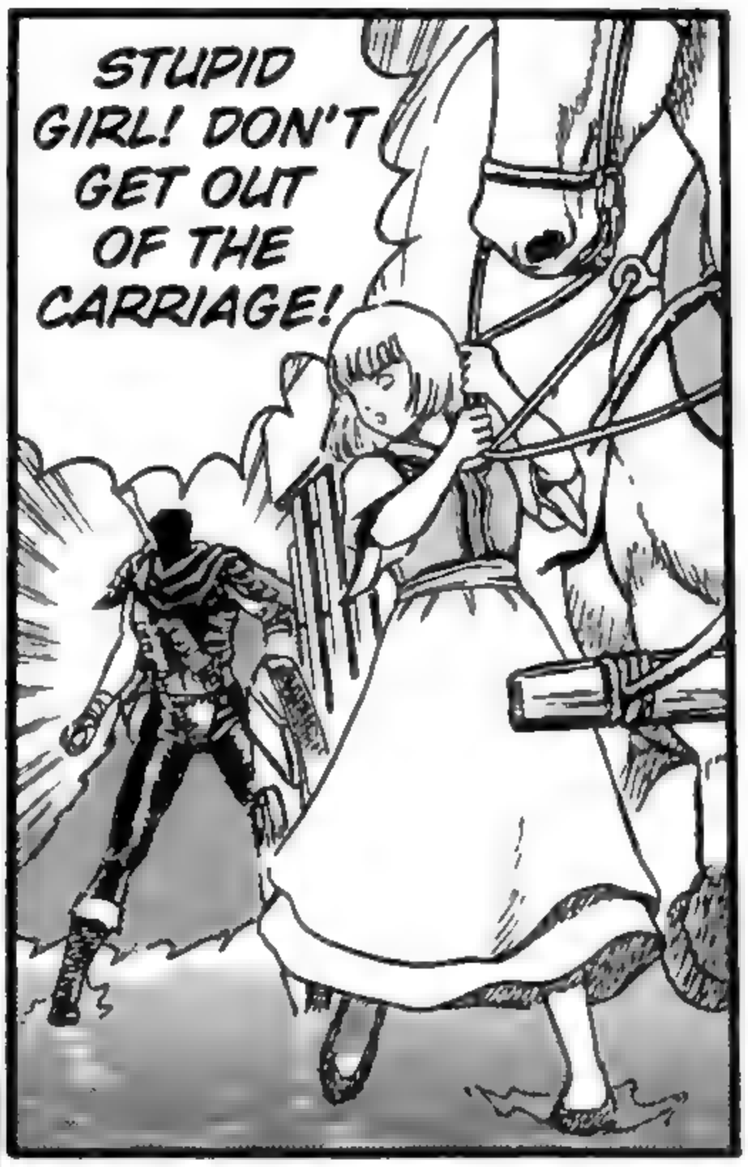
STUPID GIRL! DON'T GET OUT OF THE CARRIAGE!

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COLLETTE!!

EEYAAA...

LOOKS LIKE THIS MUST'VE BEEN SOME OLD BATTLE-FIELD!

WE BETTER GET OUTTA HERE!

IT'S NO USE! YOU *CAN'T KILL* SOMETHING THAT'S *ALREADY DEAD!*

IF YOU WANNA GO, GO BY YOURSELF.

BUT WHY?!

COMES WITH THE TERRITORY.

THERE'S *TOO MANY...* YOU'RE GONNA GET *KILLED!*

IT'S *POINTLESS!*

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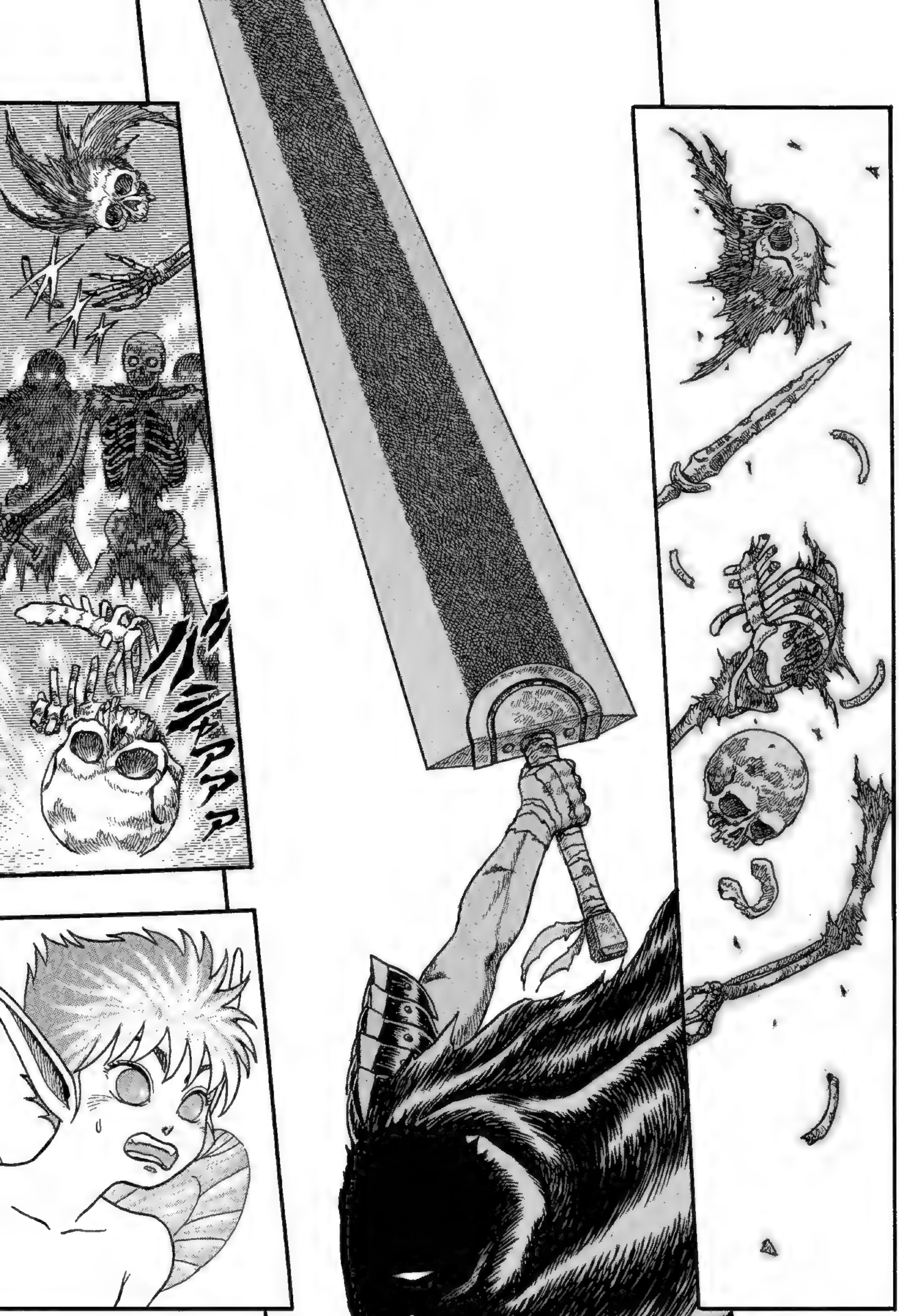
EEEK...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IT DOESN'T MATTER IF HIS OPPONENTS ARE LIVING OR DEAD...

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WOW!

EEK!

UWAAUGHH!!

AH...

...AHHH!

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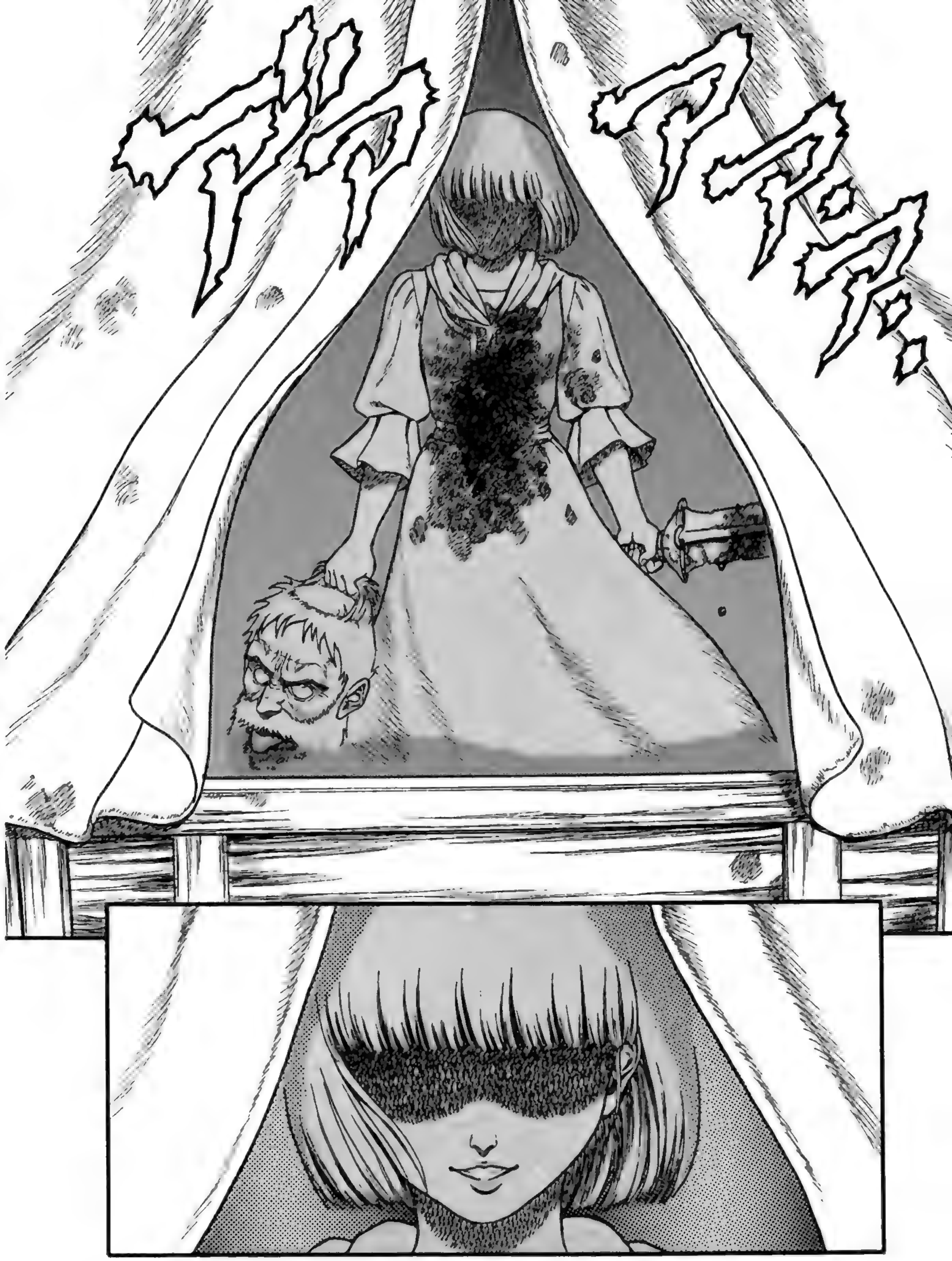
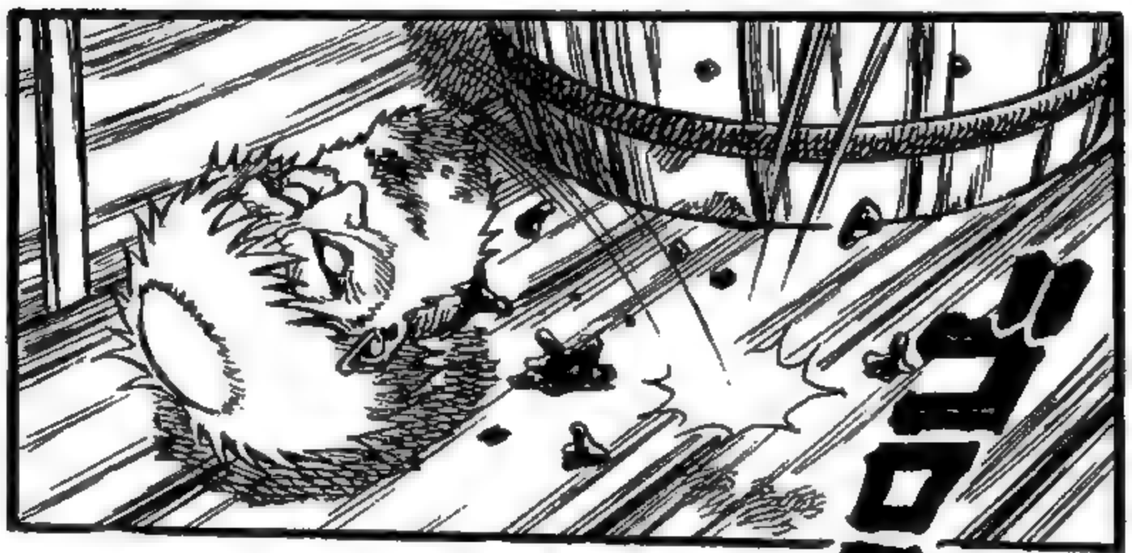
WHAT HAPPENED, OLD MAN?!

UWAAAUGHH! GUTS!

SHUT UP!! CAN'T YOU SEE I'M BUS--

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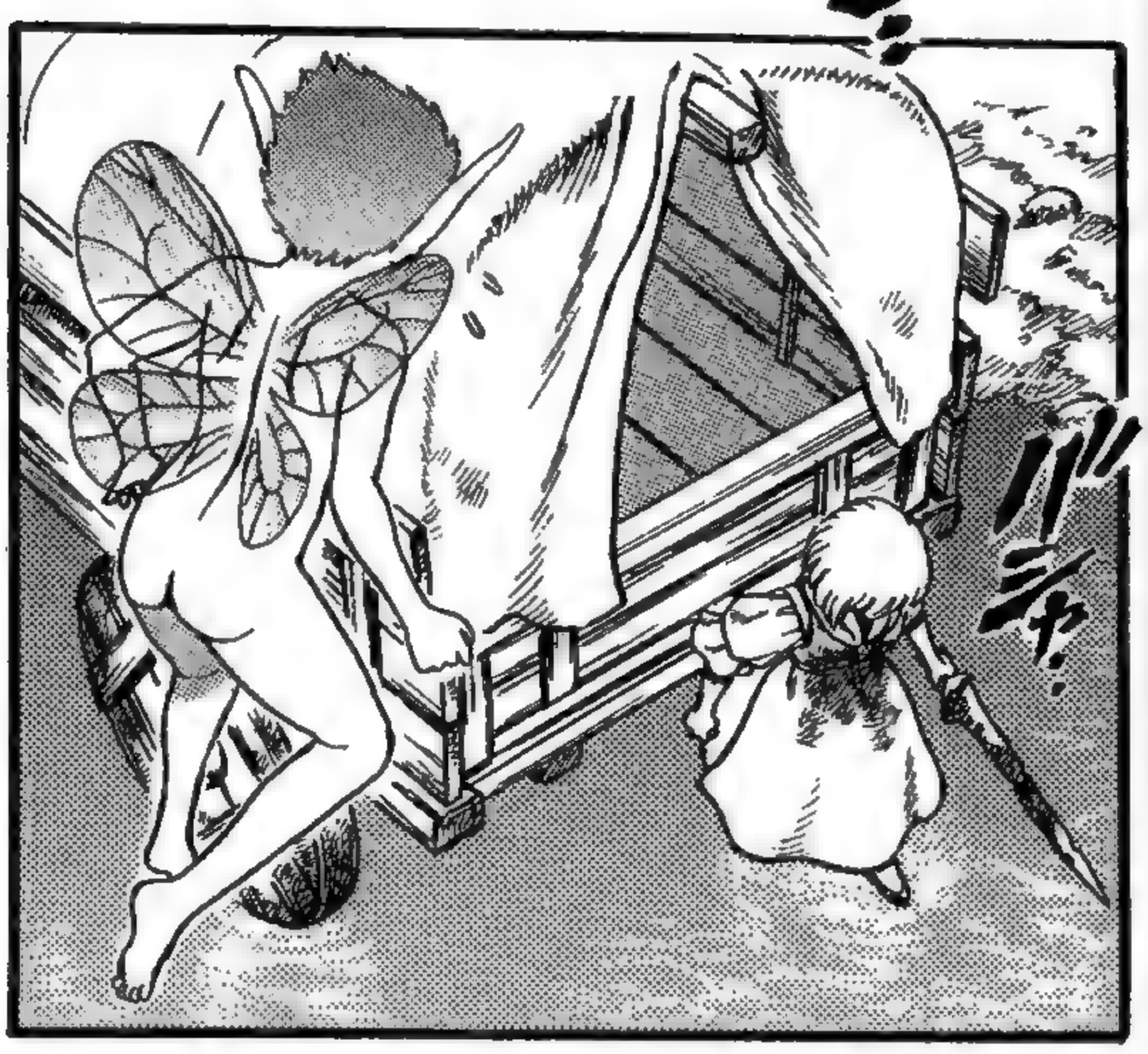
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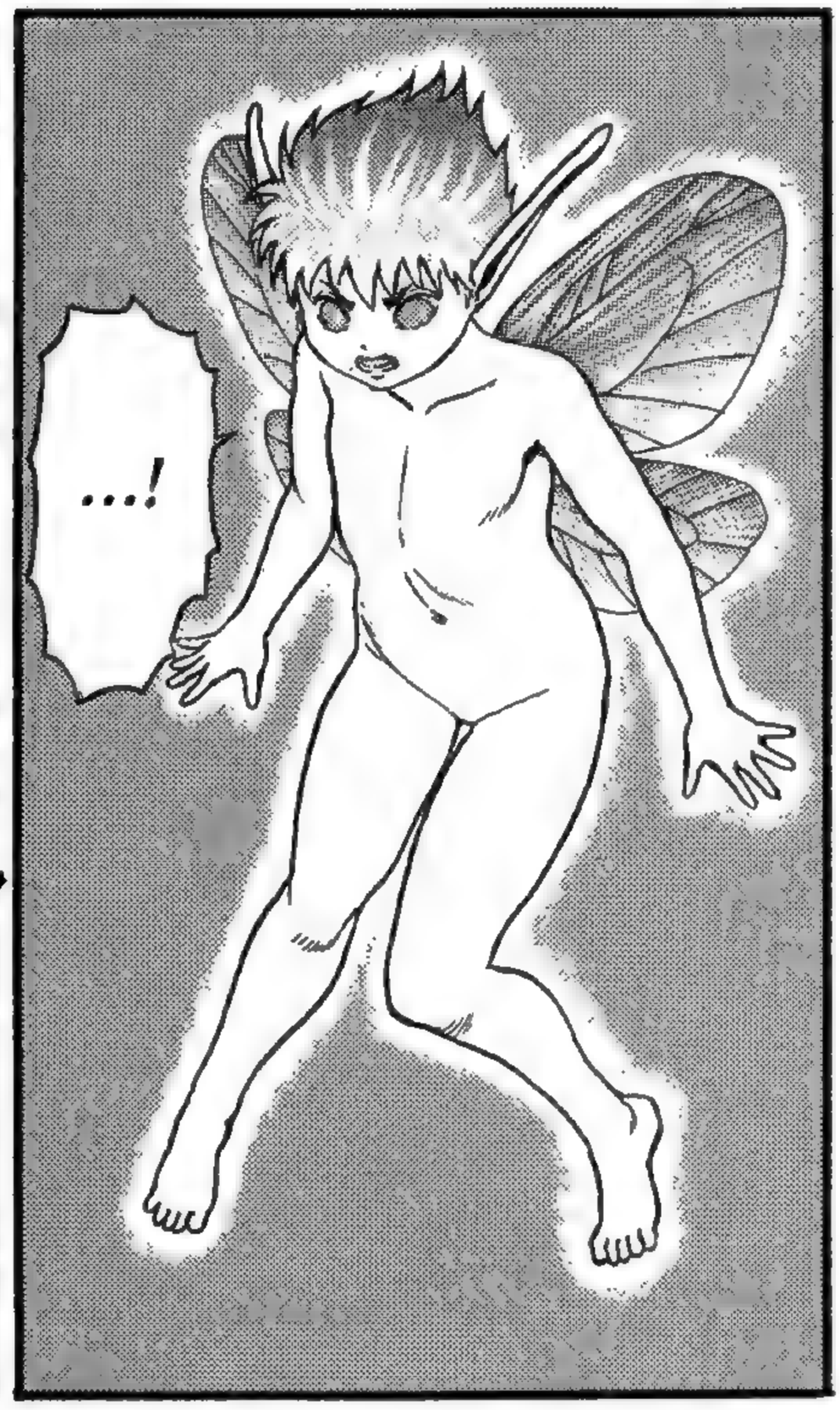
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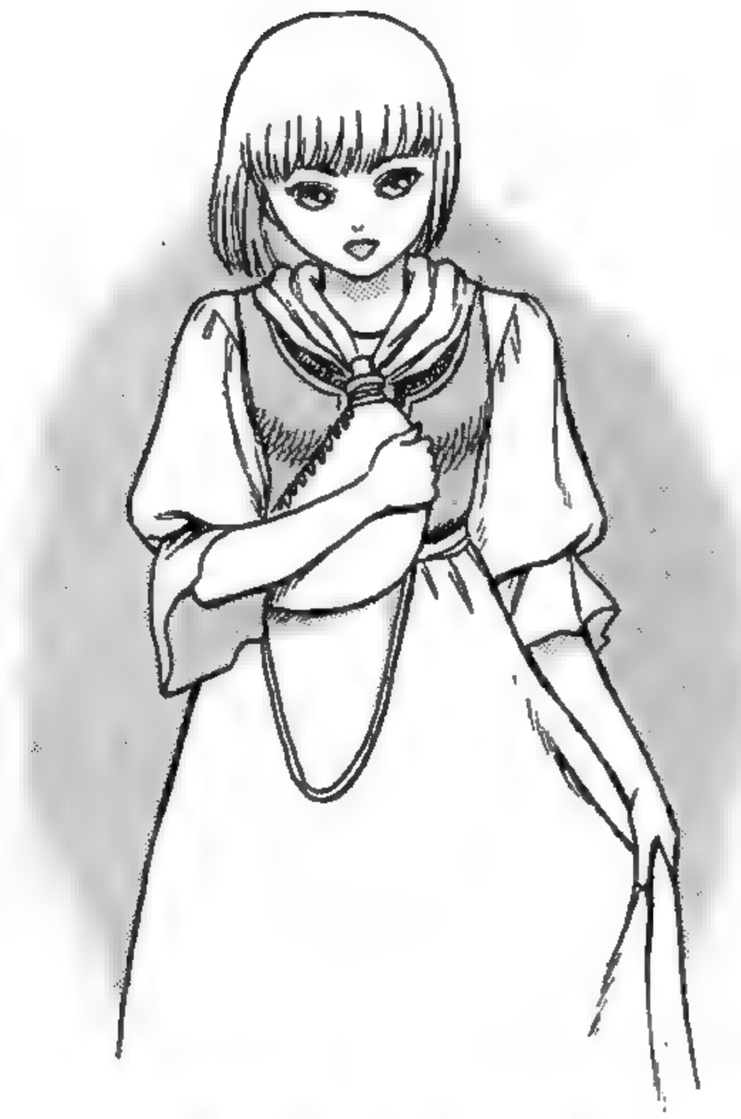

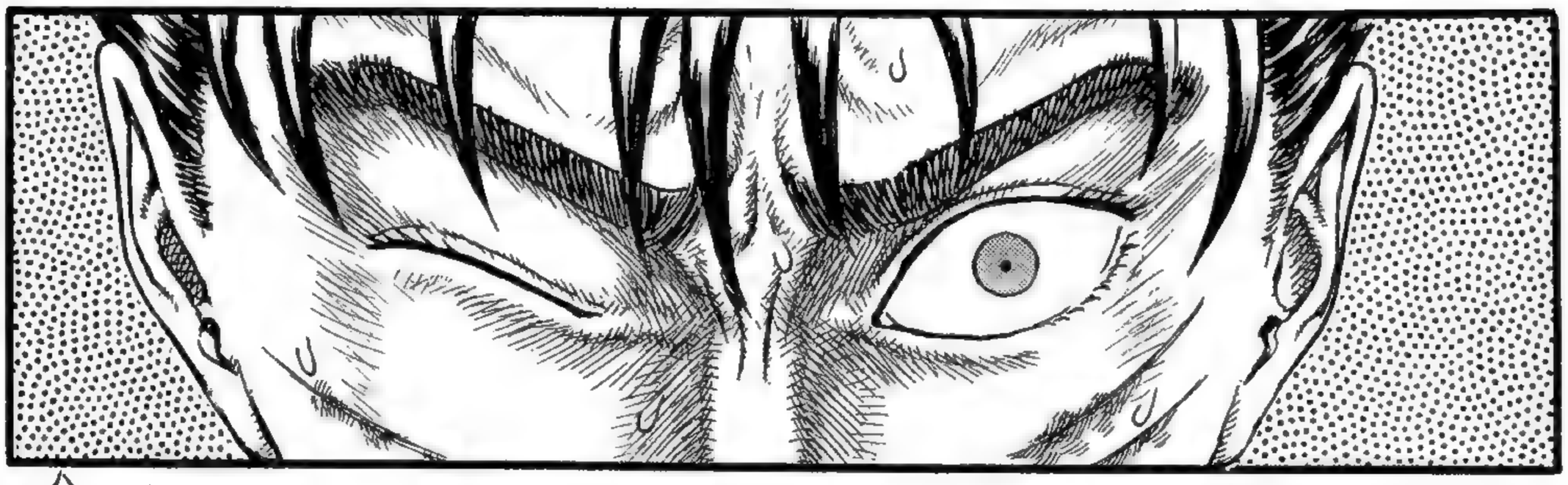

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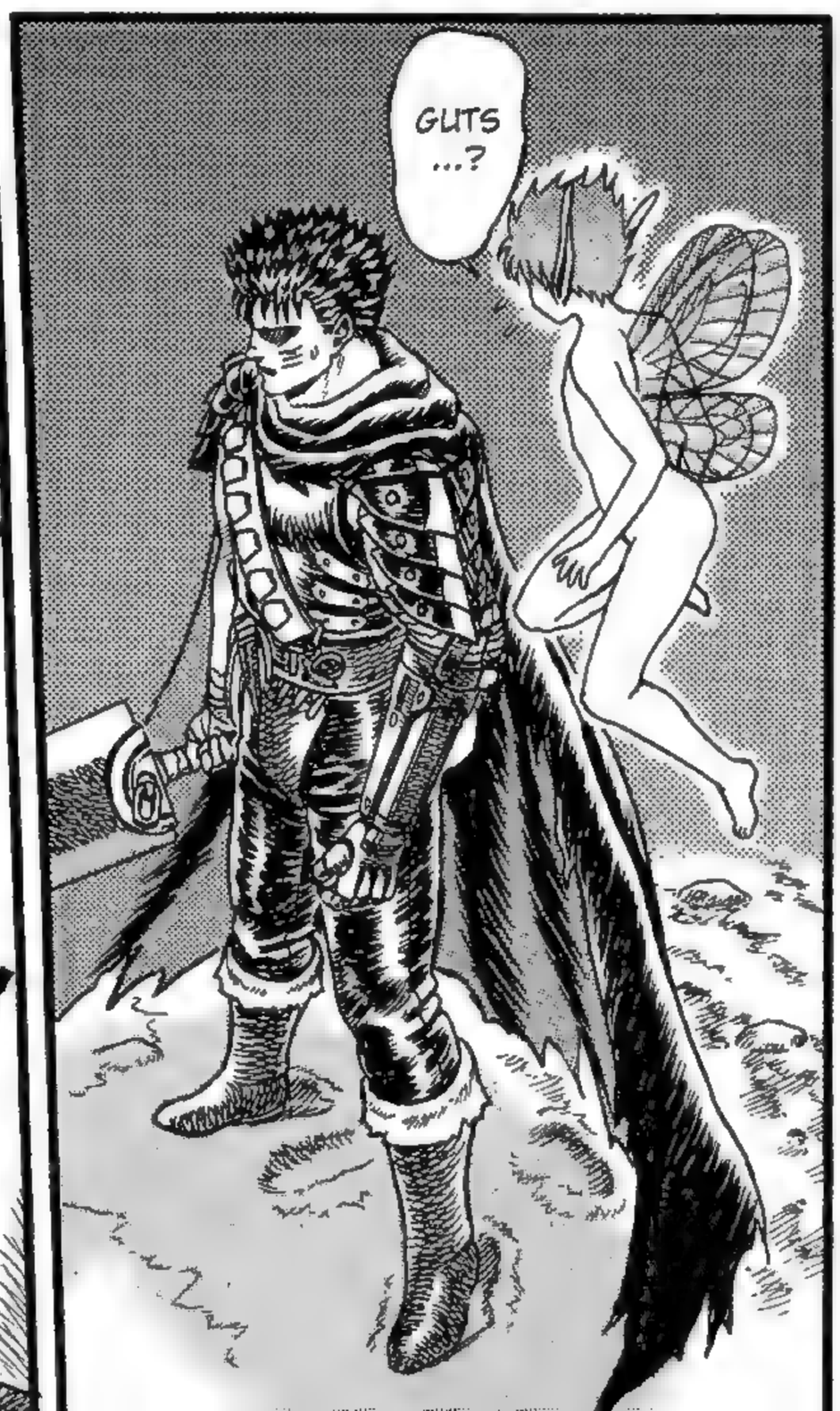
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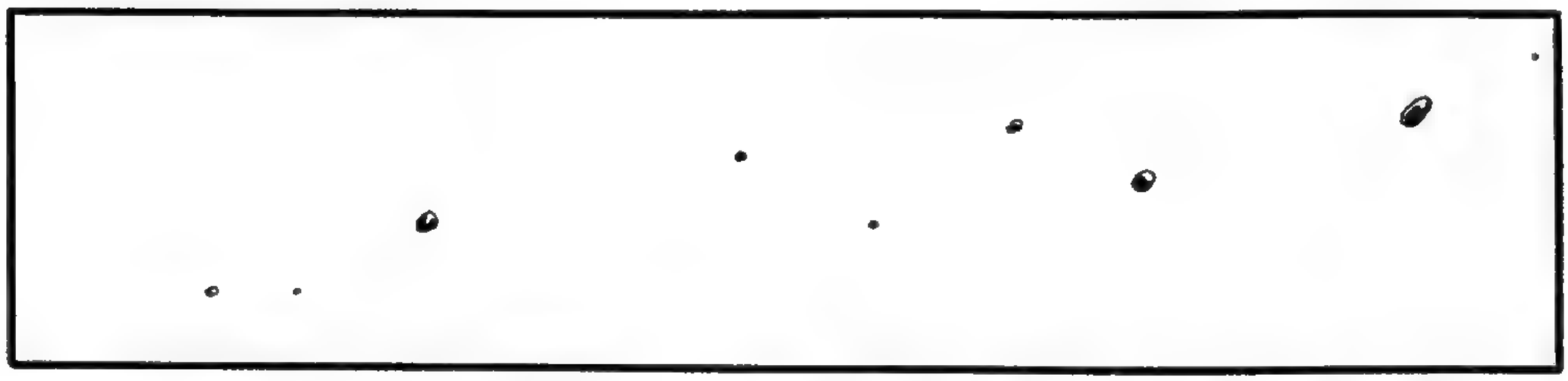

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-:GUGGH!:-

WATCH OUT!

-:UGUUUGGHH!:-

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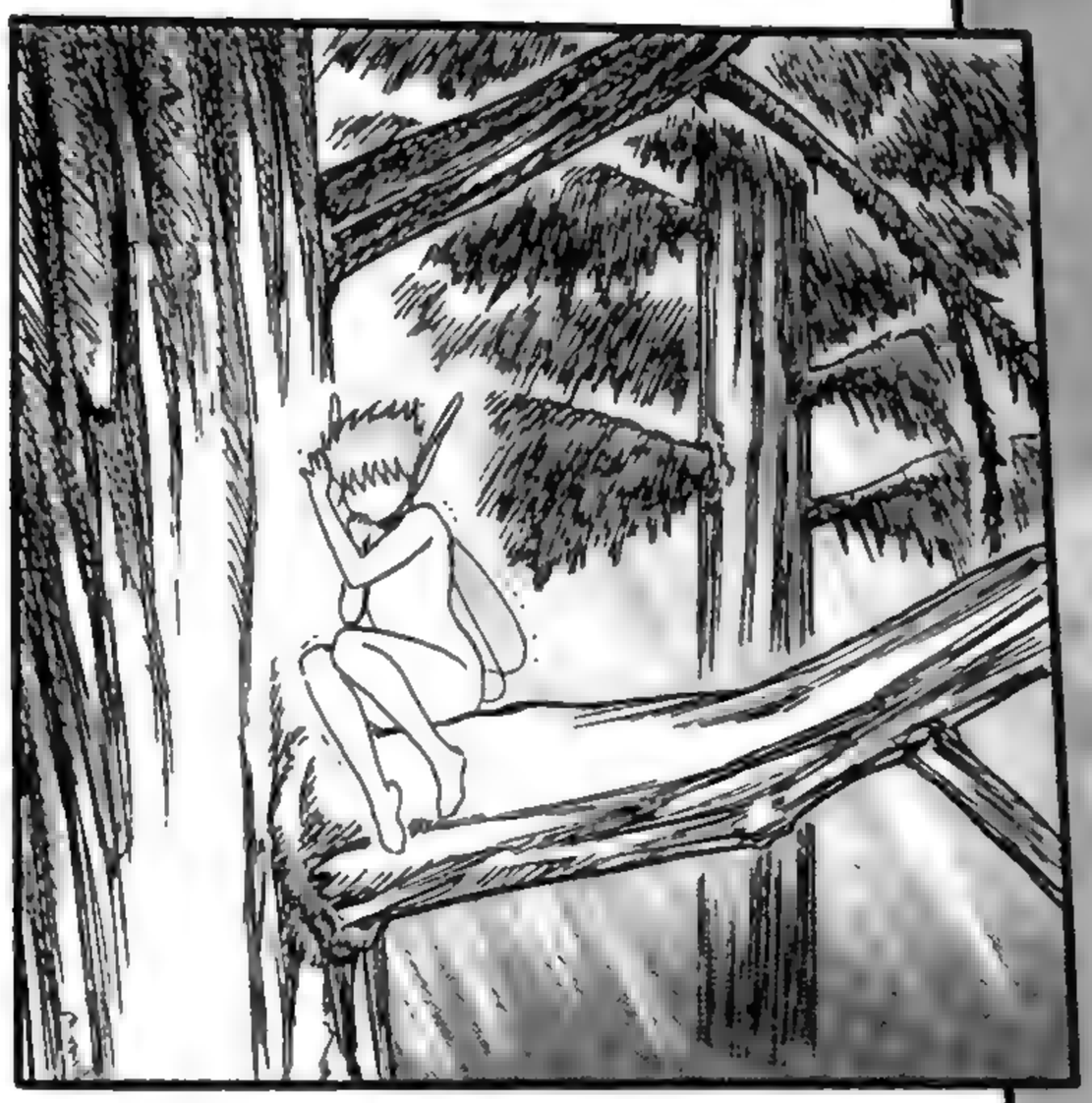

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I GUESS IT'S ALL OVER.

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...YOUR FAULT.

IT WASN'T...

HA HA HA HA HA!

HEH HEH...

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HA HA... YEAH, THAT'S TRUE.

YOU'RE ABSOLUTELY RIGHT.

LIKE I SAID, ANYONE WHO GETS KILLED 'CAUSE THEY GOT CAUGHT UP IN SOMEONE ELSE'S FIGHT IS A SMALL FRY.

IF THEY CAN'T LIVE THEIR LIFE FREELY, THEY'RE BETTER OFF DEAD.

THOSE TWO DIDN'T HAVE THE STRENGTH TO PROTECT THEMSELVES FROM A "*WALKING DISASTER*" LIKE ME.

THAT'S ALL THERE IS TO IT.

IF YOU'RE ALWAYS WORRIED ABOUT CRUSHING THE ANTS BENEATH YOU...

...YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO WALK.

WH--

WHAT'S THAT?

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WE ARE ALWAYS WATCHING YOU.

HA HA HA HA!

WHEREVER YOU GO, WE WILL FIND YOU.

HA HA HA!

IT'S USELESS! YOU CANNOT RUN FROM US.

HEE HEE HEE!

WE ARE ALWAYS WATCHING YOU.

HEE HEE HEE...

YOUR BLOOD, YOUR FLESH, YOUR BONES...

HEE HEE HEE...

YOU BELONG TO ME.

YOU ARE OURS.

AND YOUR HEART. WE *WANT* YOUR HEART.

YOUR EARS...

YOUR EYES...

SHUT UP...

YOUR ANGER, YOUR SADNESS, YOUR PAIN...

WHEREVER YOU ARE, YOU BELONG TO US.

YOU CANNOT RUN FROM US.

YES. SO LONG AS YOU HAVE THAT BRAND...

SHUT UP...

SO LONG AS YOU HAVE THAT BRAND...

ALL OF THEM BELONG TO US!

SHUT UP!!!

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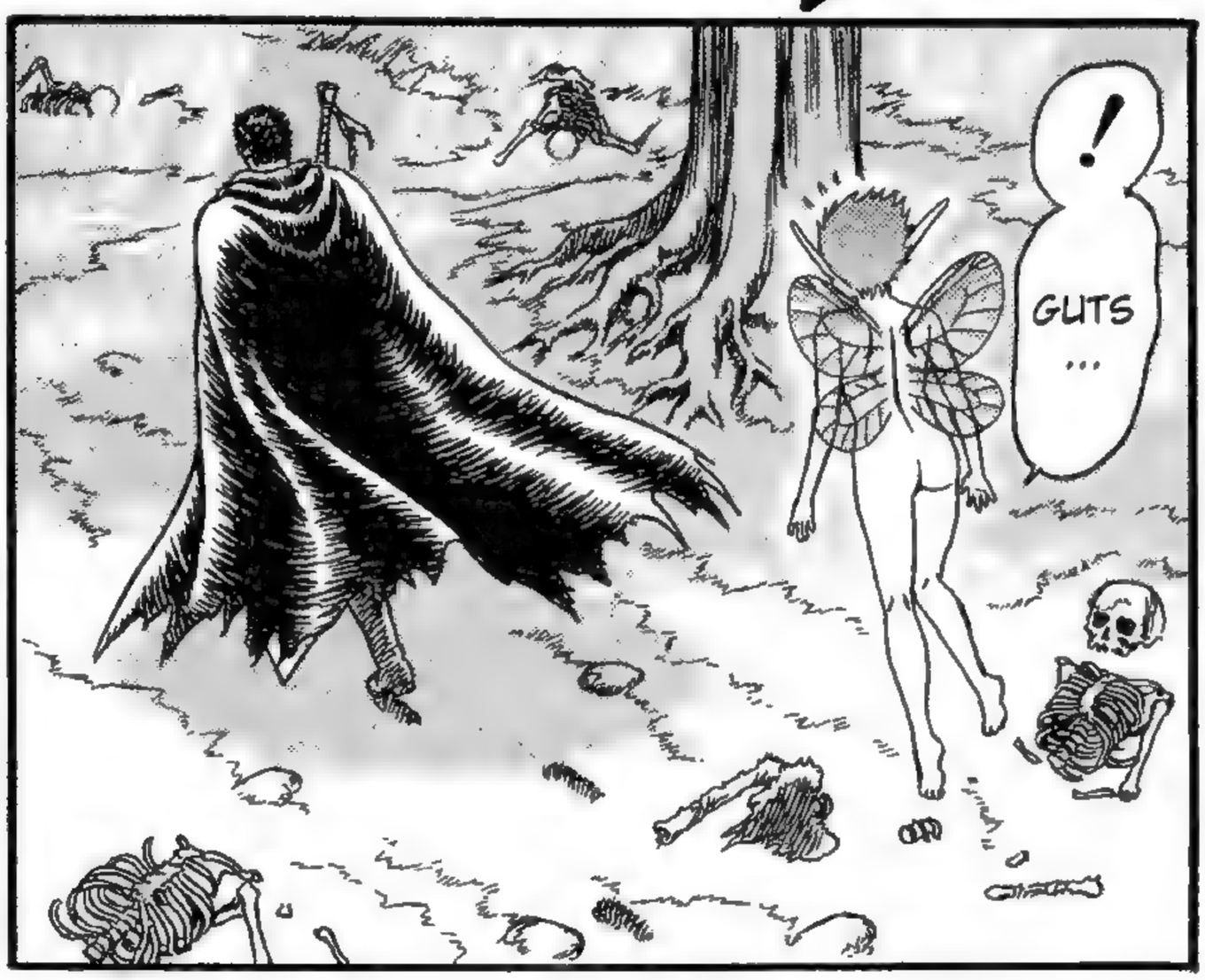
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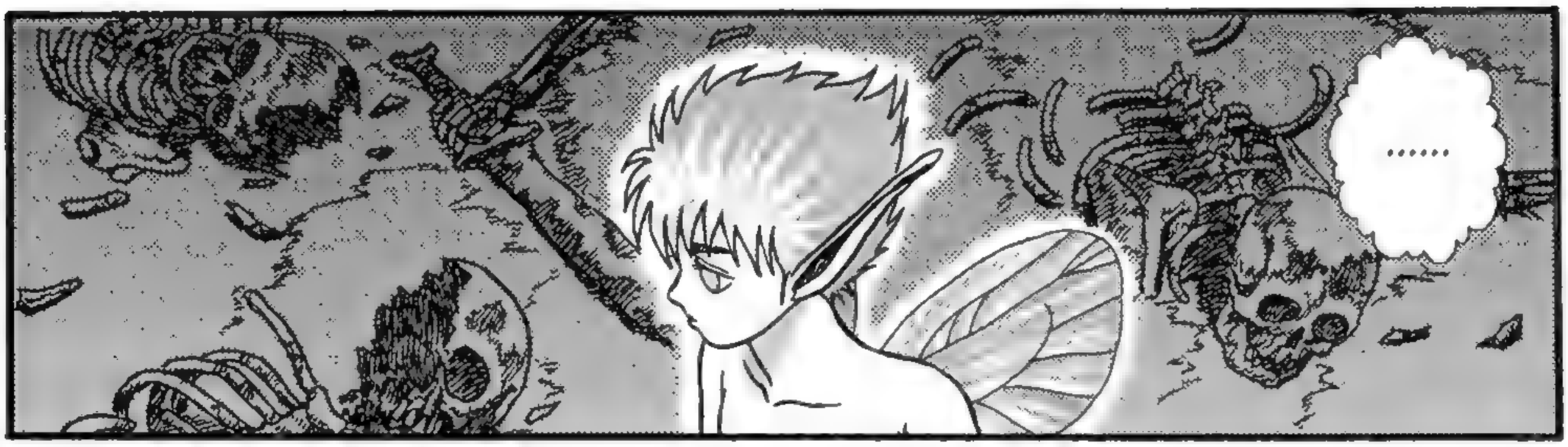
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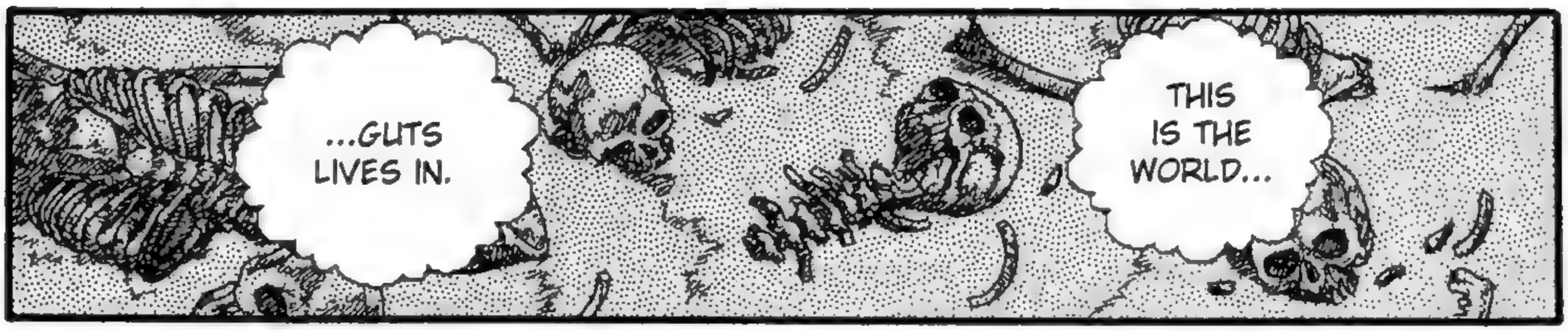
...GUTS LIVES IN.
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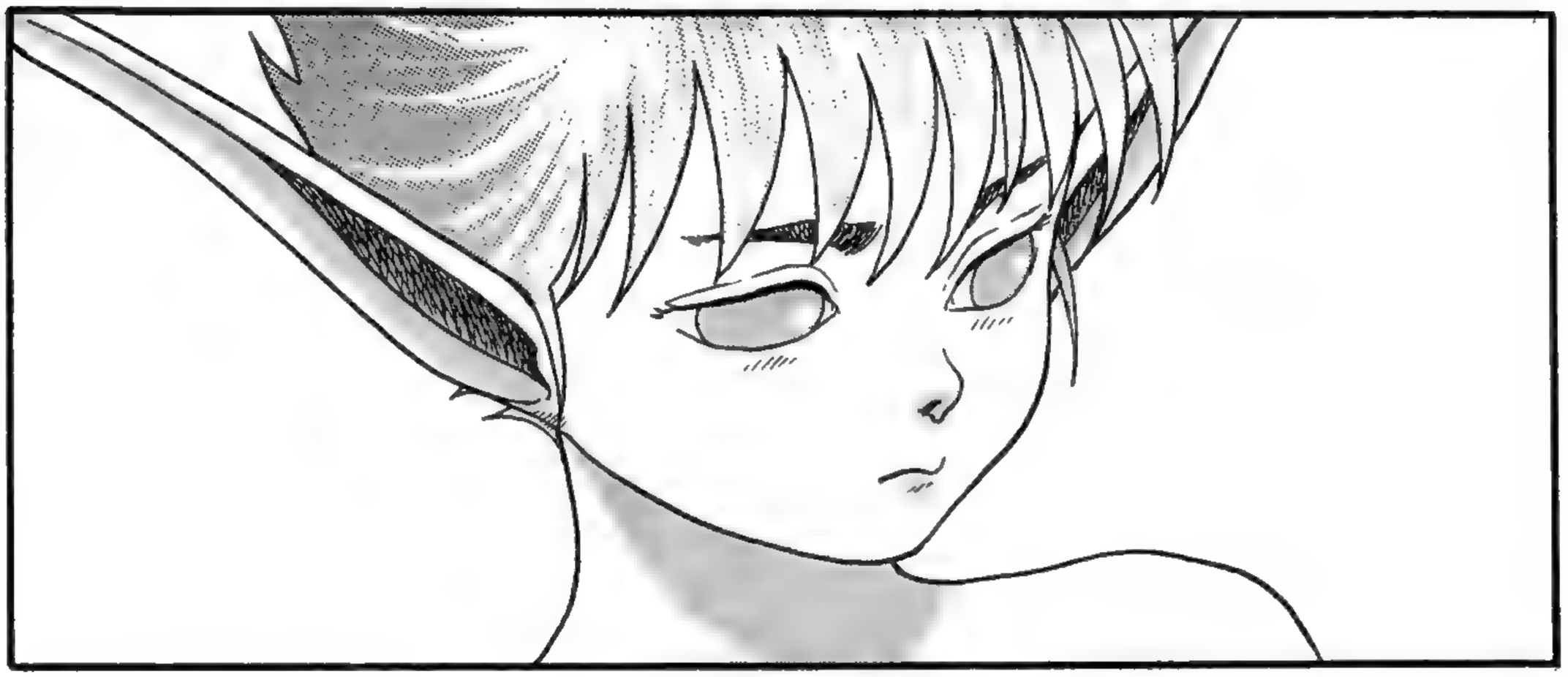

THE BRAND: END

IT'S A LIE!

THE ACCUSED IS THEREFORE SENTENCED TO *IMMEDIATE EXECUTION.*

THE INQUISITION HEREBY FINDS THE ACCUSED GUILTY OF MAKING A PACT WITH THE DEVIL AND ENGAGING IN HERESY MOST FOUL.

VERDICT!

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THE GUARDIANS OF DESIRE, PART ONE

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YOU'VE GOT TO BELIEVE ME!

I'M NOT A HERETIC!

I SWEAR!

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THE EXECUTION IS COMPLETE.

YOUR EXCELLENCY.

WELL DONE, *DAHL.*

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AS *HERETICS...*

I DON'T CARE. ARREST ANYONE WHO LOOKS LIKE A SPY OR A DRIFTER.

I'M WONDERING IF...IF WE'RE NOT *OVERDOING* IT A BIT?

BUT, THIS IS THE FIFTH ONE THIS MONTH.

IF WE KEEP THIS UP, HOW LONG WILL IT BE BEFORE HIS HOLINESS INTERVENES?

I DO THIS ALL FOR THE GOOD OF MY SUBJECTS.

IT IS MY SACRED DUTY TO PROTECT THIS KINGDOM FROM ANY ACCURSED HERETICS.

YES, MY LORD.

-:GULP:-
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THE PEACEFUL EXISTENCE OF MY SUBJECTS IS MY UTMOST DESIRE, MY UTMOST PLEASURE.

I WILL NOT LET ANYONE INTERFERE WITH THAT.

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ANYONE CAUGHT SYMPATHIZING WITH A HERETIC WILL NOT GO UNPUNISHED, EVEN CHILDREN! YOU'LL BE THROWN INTO THE DUNGEON!

UWAAAAHH! SISTER!

HEY!

HEY, YOU!

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HAND THAT OVER TO ME, WILL YA?

WHY YOU...

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YOUR EXCELLENCY!

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WHAT IS *THIS*?!

THIS *MARK* IS..!

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Y-YOU! WHO *ARE* YOU?!

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WHO IN GOD'S NAME...?

WHAT ARE YOU DOING JUST *STANDING* THERE?! *AFTER HIM,* QUICKLY!

...HOW AMUSING.

THE BLACK SWORDS-MAN...

A DECLARATION OF WAR, PERHAPS?

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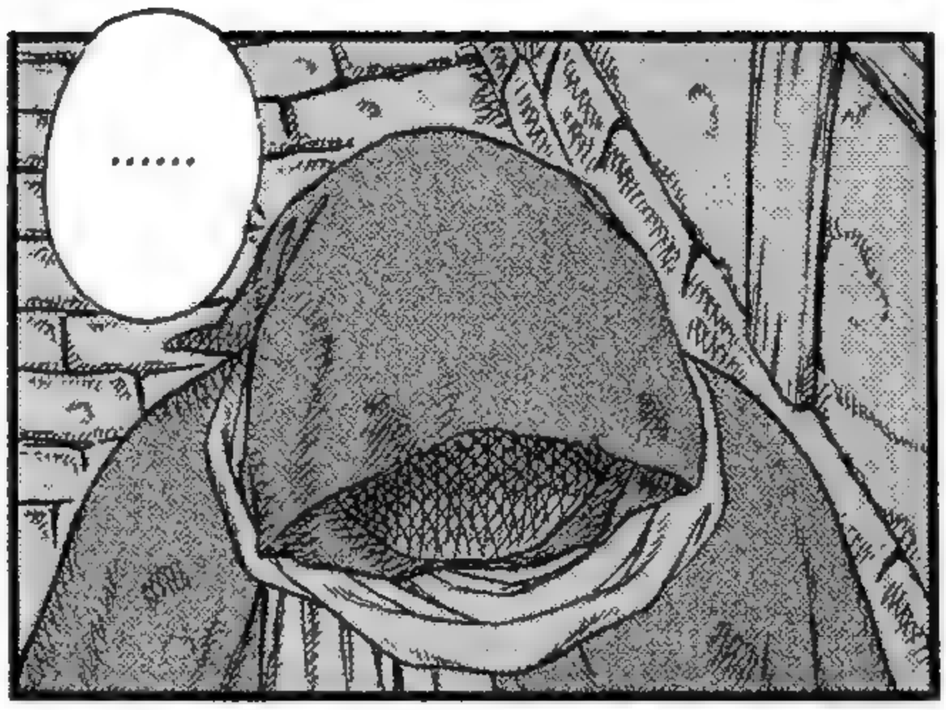
HEH HEH HEH...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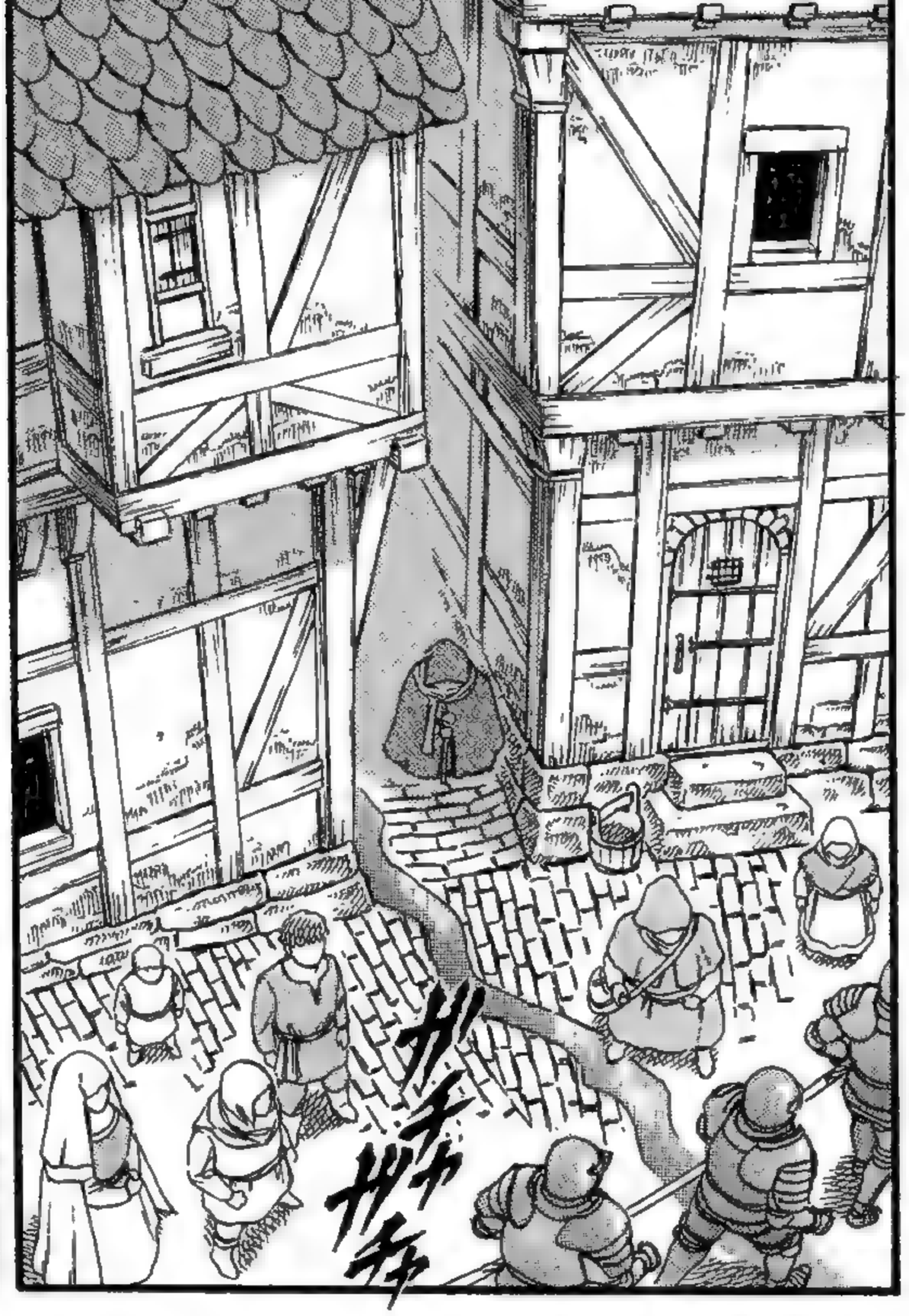
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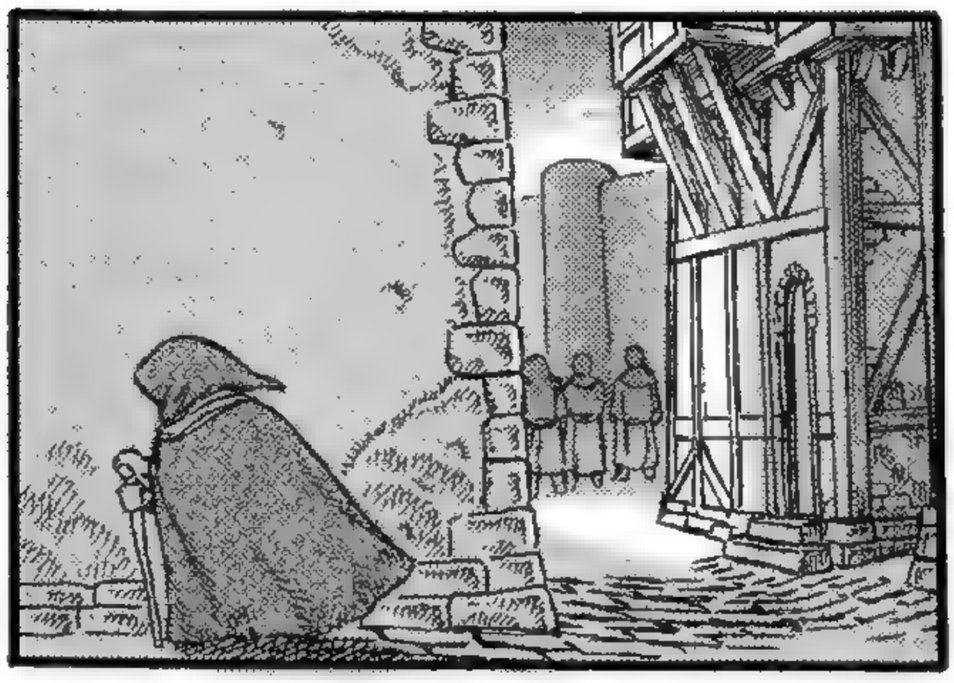

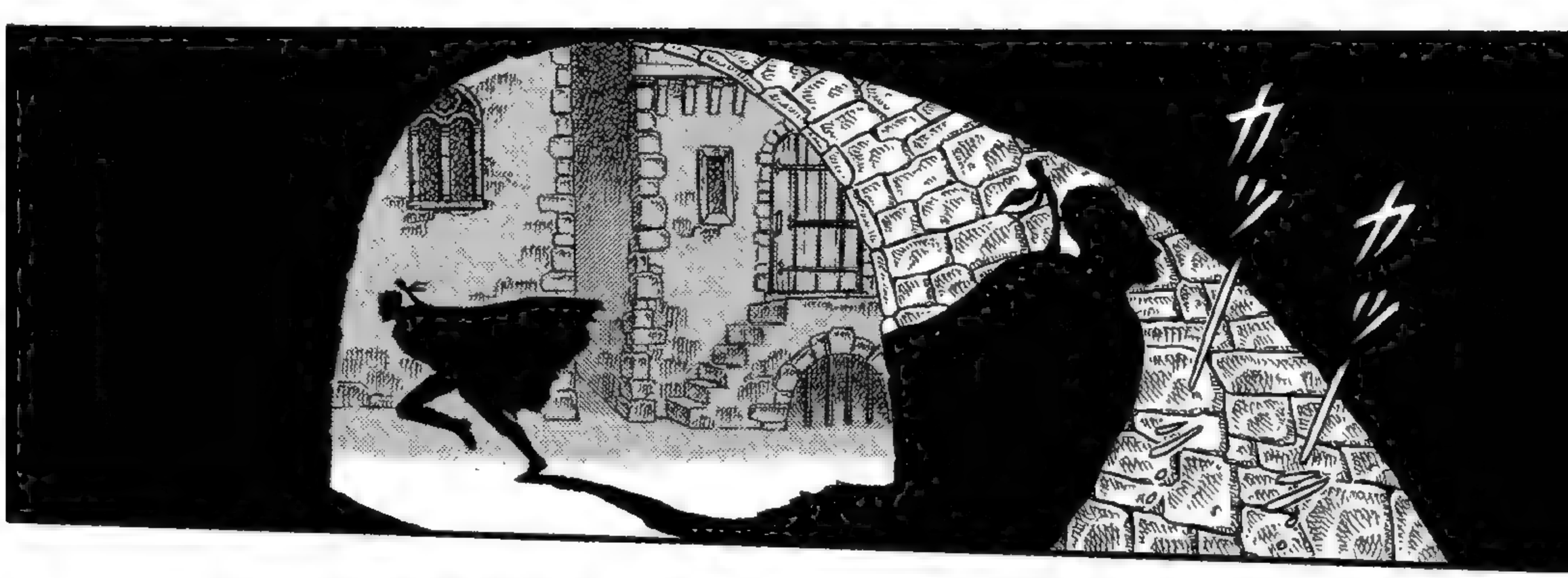
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DAMN!

BY DECREE OF THE INQUISITION, YOU ARE HEREBY PLACED UNDER ARREST FOR CONSPIRING WITH HERETICS!

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IF YOU RESIST, YOUR LIFE WILL BE FORFEIT.

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WH--

WHAT KIND OF SWORD IS *THAT?!*

D-DON'T JUST STAND THERE! *CHARGE!*

IT WAS MUCH TOO BIG TO BE CALLED A SWORD.

MASSIVE, THICK, HEAVY AND FAR TOO ROUGH.

INDEED, IT WAS LIKE A HEAP OF RAW IRON.

EEEEEEEEEEEEEK!!

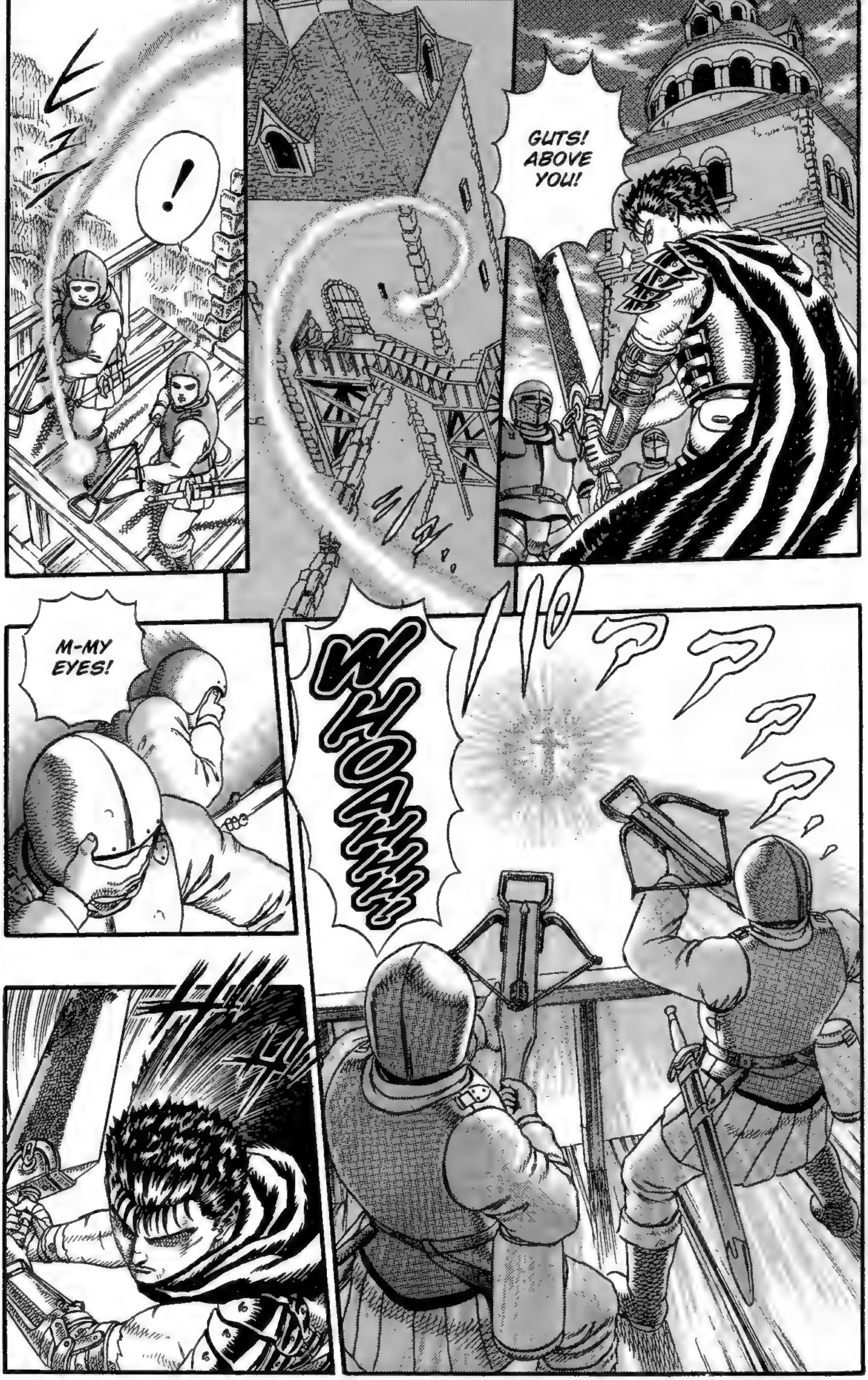
HE'S *INHUMAN!*

HE'S SLICING OUR ARMOR IN HALF WITH IT!

WH-WHAT AN INCREDIBLE SWORD!

EEEK!!

UWAAAAAHH!!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GUTS! ABOVE YOU!
M-MY EYES!
WHOAHH
HUH?

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SWISH

EEYAA...

HEY! I SAVED YOUR LIFE! I DID, DIDN'T I?!

.....

YOU... YOU'RE STILL HERE?

HM?

*GUH!

LOOKS LIKE YOU ***OWE ME*** ONE NOW!

*KYAAAA!!

YOU'RE GOING TOO FA--!

HEY!

NOW WE'RE EVEN.

UOOOH...

LORD ZONDARK...!

C-- CAPTAIN!

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THAT'S QUITE A SWORD YOU'VE GOT THERE, LITTLE MAN...

WHOAH...

HE'S *HUGE.*

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LET'S SEE HOW THAT SWORD OF YOURS FARES...

...WHEN I PUT IT TO THE TEST AGAINST THIS WAR HAMMER!

KYAA!

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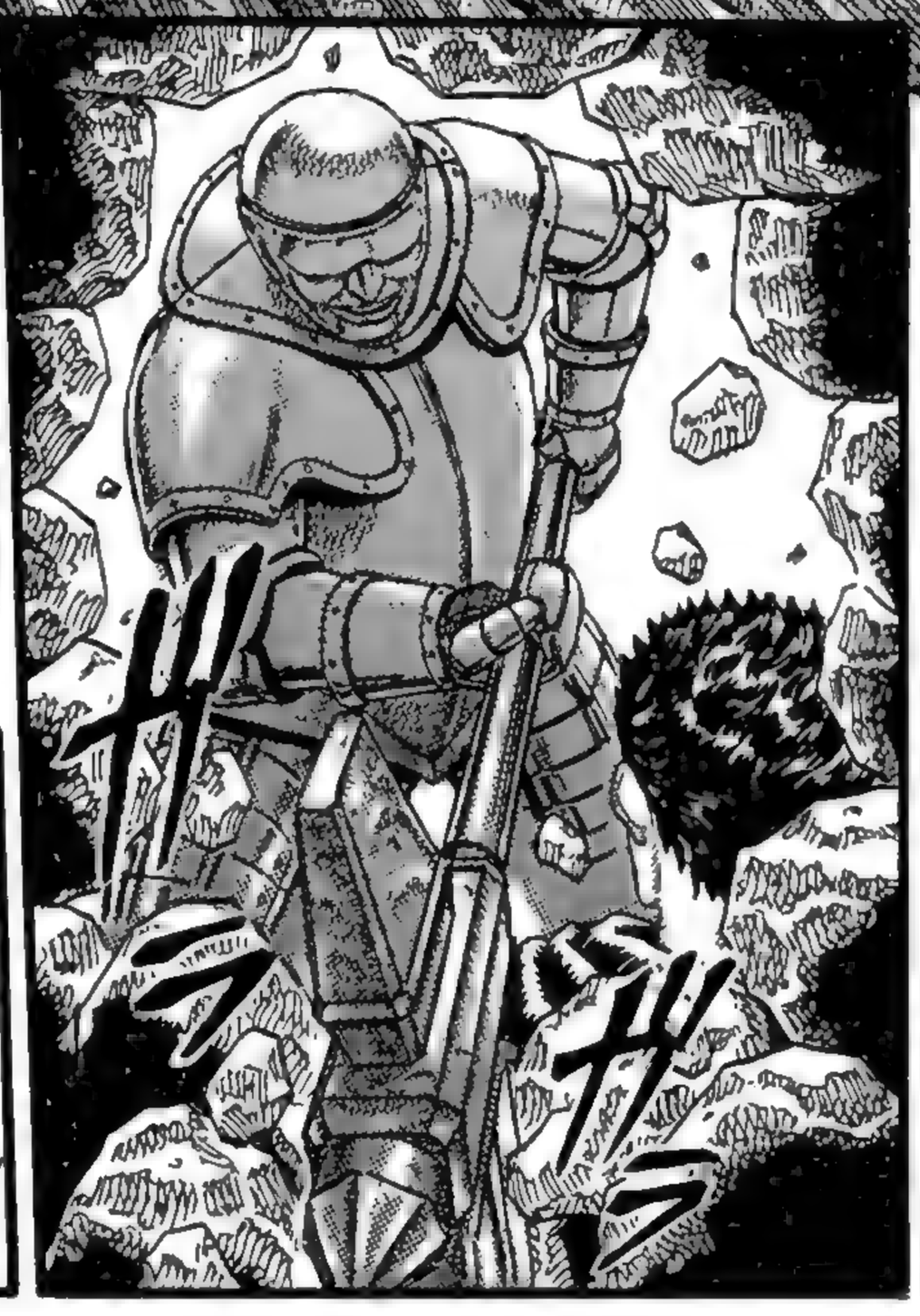

HEH HEH HEH... WHAT'S WRONG? THERE'S NOWHERE LEFT TO RUN.

...IT'S NOTHING MORE THAN BAGGAGE!
SEE, IT'S NOT JUST A QUESTION OF SIZE. IF YOU CAN'T HANDLE YOUR WEAPON...
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C--
CAPTAIN!

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COULDN'T AGREE MORE.

-:UGGGHH...:-

-:AH--
AHHHHH!:-

LORD ZONDARK!

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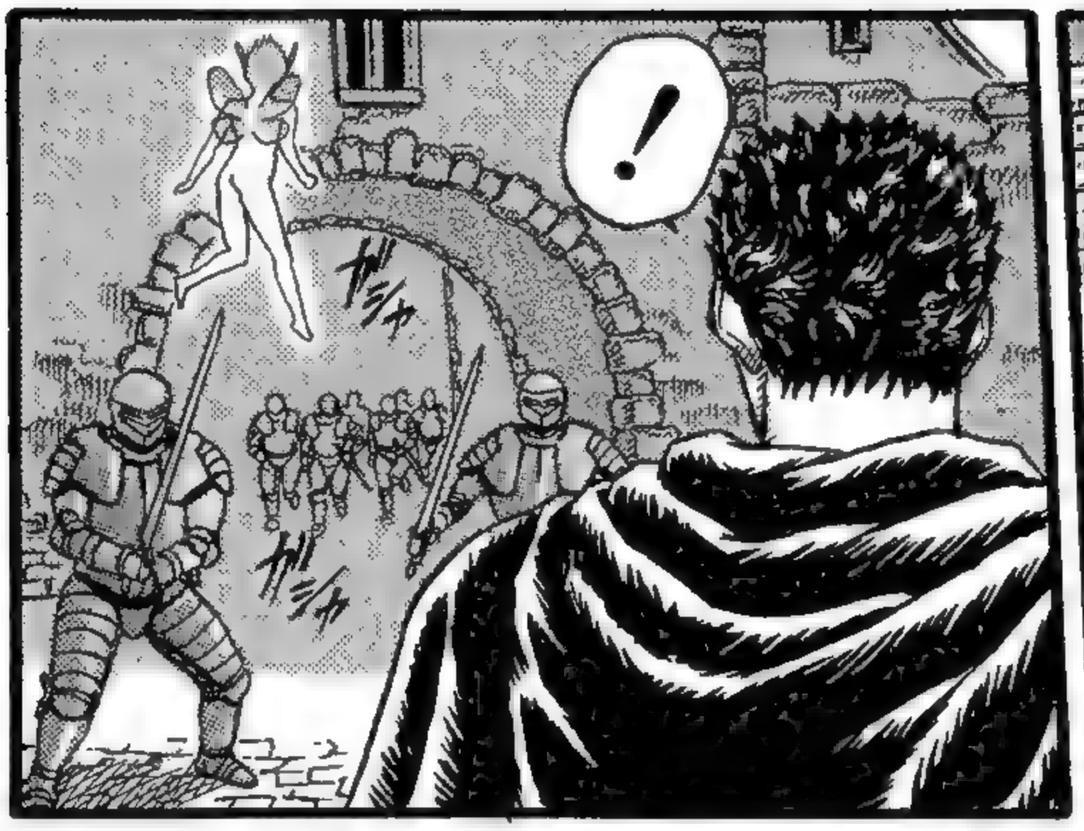
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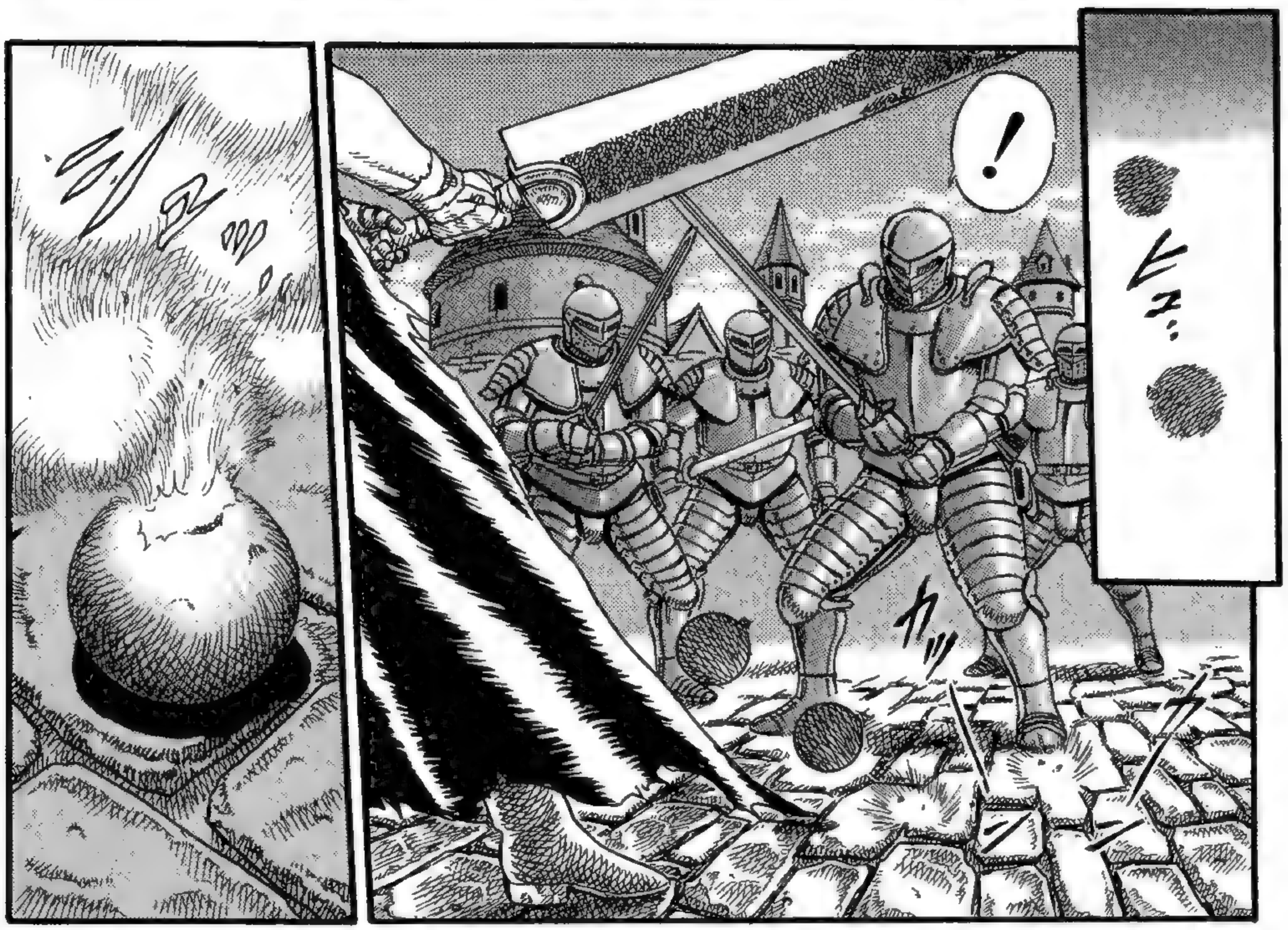
UH, GUTS?

THERE'S NO END TO 'EM.
DAMN!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WH--
WHAT IN THE HELL?!
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EEEEEE! IT'S SMOKY!
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OVER HERE, QUICKLY!
YOU THERE!
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AH! WAIT FOR ME!

WHAT ARE YOU DOING!? HURRY UP!

WHO, US?

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HE'S STILL HERE!

W-WHERE?

FIND HIM!

DON'T LET THE BASTARD ESCAPE...

FIND HIM!

KILL HIM...

KILL HIM!!

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HOW UN-FRIENDLY.

HERE WE ARE.

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YOU NEVER KNOW WHEN YOU MIGHT BE ACCUSED OF HERESY, OR BY WHOM.

IT'S BECAUSE EVERYONE'S *SUS-PICIOUS.*

IN THIS TOWN, PEOPLE ARE A THING TO BE FEARED.

AND THEY'RE NOT JUST AFRAID OF STRANGERS. ACQUAINTANCES, NEIGHBORS, FRIENDS, EVEN FAMILY...

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WH--WHAT IS THIS PLACE? IS HE A BUTCHER? OR MAYBE AN EASTERN HERBALIST?

I SUPPOSE IF SOMEBODY WERE TO ACCUSE YOU OF BEING A HERETIC, YOU'D HAVE A HARD TIME EXPLAINING ALL THIS.

QUITE A COLLECTION.

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HEH HEH...NOTHING OF THAT SORT. JUST A HAS-BEEN PHYSICIAN, THAT'S ALL I AM.

YOU KNOW, I SAW YOU AT THE EXECUTION GROUNDS TODAY.

HEH HEH HEH...

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WHO ARE YOU? WHY DID YOU HELP ME?

IS IT... RE-VENGE?

DO YOU HAVE SOME SORT OF GRUDGE AGAINST THE COUNT?

I'M THE ONE WHO'S ASKIN' THE QUESTIONS, NOT YOU.

GUTS ...

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YOU OKAY, MISTER?

THAT'S HORRIBLE! WHY'D YOU HAVE TO KICK HIM LIKE THAT?!

EEK!

...I WANT YOU TO *KILL HIM.*

HEH ...

HEH HEH ...

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I COULDN'T AFFORD TO LET THEM CAPTURE YOU BACK THERE...

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صحيح!

I WANT YOU TO CUT HIM INTO LITTLE PIECES...

...THAT DEMON!

HE... THAT ACCURSED COUNT... HE--HE'S NOT EVEN HUMAN.

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EEEEE... EEEEE...

HE'S A *DEMON!*

...!

THAT FIEND CUT THEM UP PIECE BY PIECE... AND *ATE* THEM!

LOOK AT ME... THESE LEGS... THIS FACE!

HEH... HEH HEH... YOU DON'T BELIEVE MY STORY, DO YOU?

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NO...

RATHER, I *KNOW* WHAT HE IS.

I BELIEVE YOU.

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-:WHEEZE:-...
-:WHEEZE:-...

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THERE'S SOMETHING I WANT TO SHOW YOU...

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WHY DO I HAVE A FEELING IT'S GONNA BE SOMETHING AWFUL AGAIN?!

A SECRET DOOR...

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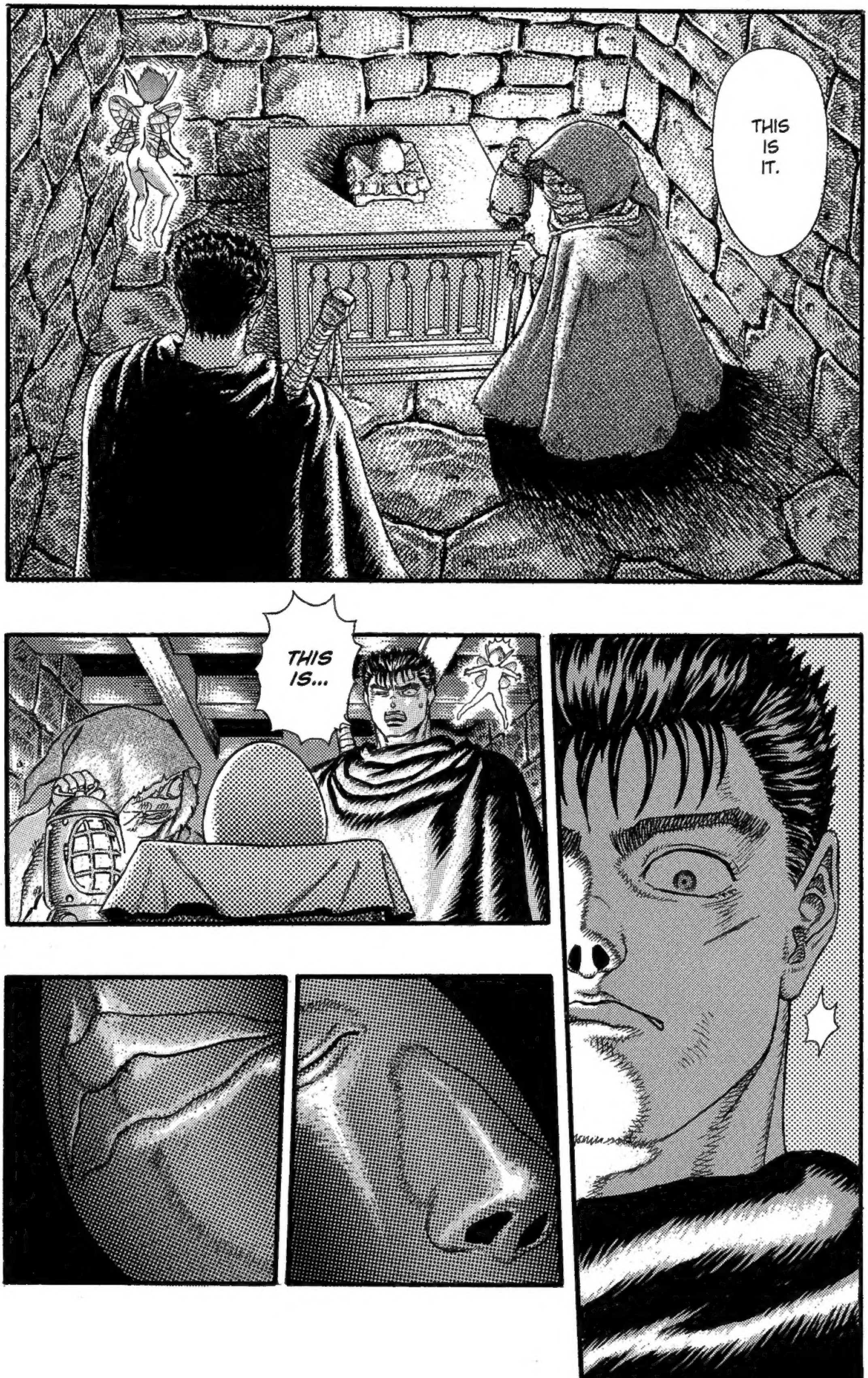
HERE ...


THIS IS IT.
THIS IS...

...A
BEHELIT!

STOP

This is the back of the book!

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BERSERK

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His name is Guts, the Black Swordsman, a feared warrior spoken of only in whispers. Bearer of a gigantic sword, an iron hand, and the scars of countless battles and tortures, his flesh is also indelibly marked with the Brand, an unholy symbol that draws the forces of darkness to him and dooms him as their sacrifice. But Guts won't take his fate lying down; he'll cut a crimson swath of carnage through the ranks of the damned—and anyone else foolish enough to oppose him! Accompanied by Puck the Elf, more an annoyance than a companion, Guts relentlessly follows a dark, bloodstained path that leads only to death . . . or vengeance.

Created by Kentaro Miura, *Berserk* is manga mayhem to the extreme—violent, horrifying, and mercilessly funny—and the wellspring for the internationally popular anime series. Not for the squeamish or the easily offended, *Berserk* asks for no quarter—and offers none!

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